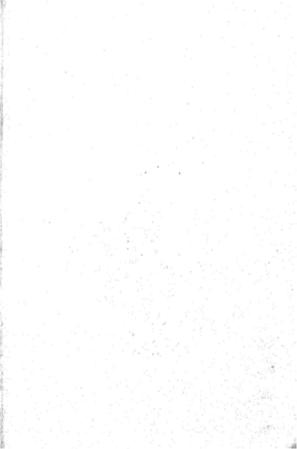
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ΣΤΡΑΒΩΝΟΣ ΓΕΩΓΡΑΦΙΚΩΝ

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1. Έπεὶ δὲ τὴν ᾿Αραβίαν ἐφοδεύοντες καὶ τοὺς κόλπους συμπεριελάβομεν τούς σφίγγοντας αὐτὴν καὶ ποιοῦντας χερρόνησον, τὸν Περσικὸν καὶ τὸν Αράβιον, τούτω δέ τινα συμπεριωδεύθη και τῆς Αἰγύπτου καὶ τῆς Αἰθιοπίας, τὰ τῶν Τρωγλοδυτῶν καὶ τῶν ἐξῆς μέχρι τῶν ἐσχάτων τῆς κινναμωμοφόρου, τὰ λειπόμενα καὶ συνεχή τοῖς ἔθνεσι τούτοις, ταῦτα δ' ἐστὶ τὰ περί τὸν Νεῖλον, έκθετέον μετά δὲ ταῦτα τὴν Λιβύην ἔπιμεν, ήπερ έστὶ λοιπή τής συμπάσης γεωγραφίας. κάνταθθα δ' Έρατοσθένους ἀποφάσεις προεκθετέου.

2. Φησὶ δὴ τοῦ ᾿Αραβίου κόλπου πρὸς τὴν έσπέραν εννακοσίους ή χιλίους 1 σταδίους διέχειν τὸν Νεῖλου, παραπλήσιον ὄντα κατὰ τὸ σχημα 2 C 786 τῷ γράμματι τῷ N³ κειμένω ἀνάπαλιν ρυείς γάρ, φησίν, ἀπὸ Μερόης ἐπὶ τὰς ἄρκτους ὡς δισχιλίους και έπτακοσίους σταδίους, πάλιν άναστρέφει προς 4 μεσημβρίαν και την χειμερινήν

3 TO VU EFDr. though D has N above vu.

¹ έγγακοσίους ή χιλίους, Groskurd, for έγγακισχιλίους (F has a in margin); ἐννακοσίουs, Corais; χιλίουs, Kramer.
² σχῆμα, C. Müller, for στόμα. Meineke ejects κατὰ τὸ

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I

1. Since, in my description of Arabia, I have also included the gulfs which pinch it and make it a peninsula, I mean the Persian and Arabian Gulfs, and at the same time have gone the rounds of certain parts both of Aegypt and of Aethiopia, I mean the countries of the Troglodytes and the peoples situated in order thereafter as far as the Cinnamonbearing country, I must now set forth the remaining parts that are continuous with these tribes, that is, the parts in the neighbourhood of the Nile; and after this I shall traverse Libya, which is the last remaining subject of my whole geography. And here too I must first set forth the declarations of Eratosthenes.

2. Now according to him the Nile is nine hundred or a thousand stadia distant towards the west from the Arabian Gulf, and is similar in shape to the letter N written reversed; 1 for after flowing, he says, from Meroê towards the north about two thousand seven hundred stadia, it turns back towards the south and the winter sunset about three thousand

1 i.e. M. This is true, roughly speaking, of the course of the Nile from Meroë to Syenë (see critical note).

Dh insert τήν after πρός.

δύσιν ώς τρισχιλίους καὶ έπτακοσίους σταδίους, καὶ σχεδὸν ἀντάρας τοῖς κατὰ Μερόην τόποις καὶ είς τὴν Λιβύην πολύ προπεσών 1 καὶ τὴν έτέραν έπιστροφήν ποιησάμενος πρός τὰς ἄρκτους φέρεται πεντακισχιλίους μέν καὶ τριακοσίους σταδίους έπὶ τὸν μέγαν καταράκτην, μικρὸν παρεπιστρέφων πρὸς τὴν ἕω, χιλίους δὲ καὶ διακοσίους τους έπι του έλάττω του κατά Συήνην, πεντακισχιλίους δὲ ἄλλους καὶ τριακοσίους ἐπὶ τὴν θάλατταν. ἐμβάλλουσι δ' εἰς αὐτὸν δύο ποταμοί, φερόμενοι μέν έκ τινων λιμνών ἀπὸ τῆς έω, περιλαμβάνοντες δὲ νῆσον εὐμεγέθη τὴν Μερόην ὧν ό μὲν ᾿Ασταβόρας καλεῖται κατὰ τὸ πρὸς εω πλευρὸν ρέων, ἄτερος δ' ᾿Αστάπους· οἱ δ' ᾿Αστασόβαν καλοῦσι, τὸν δ' ᾿Αστάπουν ἄλλον εἶναι, ρέοντα έκ τινων λιμνών άπὸ μεσημβρίας, καὶ σχεδον το κατ' εὐθεῖαν σῶμα τοῦ Νείλου τοῦτον ποιείν· τὴν δὲ πλήρωσιν αὐτοῦ τοὺς θερινοὺς ὄμβρους παρασκευάζειν. ὑπὲρ δὲ τὰς συμβολὰς τοῦ ᾿Ασταβόρα καὶ τοῦ Νείλου σταδίοις έπτακοσίοις Μερόην είναι πόλιν όμώνυμον τῆ νήσω άλλην δ' είναι νησον ύπερ της Μερόης, ην έχουσιν οι Αίγυπτίων φυγάδες οι ἀποστάντες ἐπὶ² Ψαμμιτίχου,³ καλοῦνται δὲ Σεμβριται, ὡς ἂν ἐπήλυδες· βασιλεύονται δὲ ὑπὸ γυναικός, ύπακούουσι 4 δὲ τῶν ἐν Μερόη. τὰ δὲ κατωτέρω έκατέρωθεν Μερόης, παρά μεν τον Νείλον προς

1 προπεσών D, προσπεσών other MSS.

3 Ψαμμητίχου CDFhiuz.

 $^{^2}$ $\ell\pi\ell$, Corais emends to $\ell\pi\ell$, citing Herodotus 2. 30; and so Meineke, but both $\ell\pi\ell$ $\Psi\alpha\mu\mu\eta\tau\ell\chi\sigma\sigma$ and $\ell\alpha\hbar$ $\Psi\alpha\mu\mu\eta\tau\ell\chi\sigma\sigma$ are found in that passage.

^{*} ὑπακούουσι, Corais emends to ἐπαρχούσης (cp. 16. 4. 8).

seven hundred stadia, and after almost reaching the same parallel as that of the region of Meroe and projecting far into Libya and making the second turn, flows towards the north five thousand three bundred stadia to the great cataract, turning aside slightly towards the east, and then one thousand two hundred stadia to the smaller cataract at Syenê, and then five thousand three hundred more to the sea. Two rivers empty into it, which flow from some lakes on the east and enclose Meroê, a rather large island. One of these rivers, which flows on the eastern side of the island, is called Astaboras 1 and the other is called Astapus,2 though some call it Astasobas and say that another river, which flows from some lakes from the south,3 is the Astapus and that this river forms almost all the straight part of the body of the Nile, and that it is filled by the summer rains. Above the confluence of the Astaboras and the Nile, he says, at a distance of seven hundred stadia, lies Meroe, a city bearing the same name as the island; and there is another island above Meroê which is held by the Aegyptian fugitives who revolted in the time of Psammitichus, and are called "Sembritae," meaning "foreigners." 4 They are ruled by a queen, but they are subject to the kings of Meroe. The lower parts of the country on either side of Meroe, along the Nile towards the

2 Now Bahr el-Abiad. 3 Now Bahr el-Asrek.

5 This statement is inconsistent with that in 16. 4. 8, which, however, appears to have been taken from Artemidorus.

Now Atbara or Takazze.

See 16.4.8. According to Herodotus (2.30), the original number of these fugitives was 240,000 (see Rawlinson's note, Vol. II, p. 37).

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θάλατταν ἐκβολῶν. καὶ μὴν οί γε Αἰθίοπες τὸ πλέον νομαδικώς ζώσι καὶ ἀπόρως διά τε τὴν λυπρότητα τῆς χώρας καὶ τὴν τῶν ἀέρων ἀσυμμετρίαν καὶ τὸν ἀφ' ἡμῶν ἐκτοπισμόν, τοῖς δ' Αἰγυπτίοις απαντα τάναντία συμβέβηκε καὶ γὰρ πολιτικώς καὶ ἡμέρως έξ άρχης ζώσι καὶ ἐν γνωρίμοις ίδρυνται τόποις, ώστε καὶ αι διατάξεις αὐτῶν μνημονεύονται. καὶ ἐπαινοῦνταί γε, δοκοῦντες άξίως χρήσασθαι τῆ τῆς χώρας εὐδαιμονία, μερίσαντές τε εὖ καὶ ἐπιμεληθέντες βασιλέα γὰρ ἀποδείξαντες τριχή τὸ πλήθος διείλον, καὶ τούς μεν στρατιώτας έκάλεσαν, τους δε γεωργούς, τους δε ίερέας και τους μεν των ίερων επιμελητάς, τοὺς δ' ἄλλους τῶν περί τὸν ἄνθρωπον· καὶ τοὺς μεν τὰ ² ἐν τῶ πολέμω, τοὺς δ' ὅσα ἐν εἰρήνη, γῆν τε καὶ τέχνας ἐργαζομένους,3 ἀφ' ὧνπερ καὶ αί πρόσοδοι συνήγοντο τῷ βασιλεί. οί δ' ίερεις καὶ φιλοσοφίαν ήσκουν καὶ ἀστρονομίαν ὁμιληταί τε τῶν βασιλέων ήσαν. ή δὲ χώρα τὴν μὲν πρώτην διαίρεσιν εἰς νομοὺς ἔσχε, δέκα μὲν ἡ Θηβαΐς, δέκα δ' ή ἐν τῷ Δέλτα, ἐκκαίδεκα δ' ἡ μεταξύ (ώς δέ τινες, τοσοῦτοι ήσαν οἱ σύμπαντες νομοί, όσαι αί ἐν τῷ λαβυρίνθφ αὐλαί· αὐται δ' ἐλάττους τῶν τριάκοντα 5)· πάλιν δ' οί νομοὶ τομὰς άλλας ἔσχου, εἰς γάρ τοπαρχίας οἱ πλεῖστοι

² τά, added from the Epitome.

¹ τοῦ Νείλου, after ἐκβολῶν, Groskurd and later editors eject.

ἐργαζομένους, Kramer, for ἐργαζομένων.
 ἀὐλαί F. αὐταί other MSS.

⁵ τριάκοντα, Meineke, following conj. of Groskurd, emends to τριάκοντα ἔξ.

indeed the Aethiopians lead for the most part a nomadic and resourceless life, on account of the barrenness of the country and of the unseasonableness of its climate and of its remoteness from us. whereas with the Aegyptians the contrary is the case in all these respects; for from the outset they have led a civic and cultivated life and have been settled in well-known regions, so that their organisations are a matter of comment. And they are commended in that they are thought to have used worthily the good fortune of their country, having divided it well and having taken good care of it; for when they had appointed a king they divided the people into three classes, and they called one class soldiers, another farmers, and another priests; and the last class had the care of things sacred and the other two of things relating to man; and some had charge of the affairs of war, and others of all the affairs of peace, both tilling soil and following trades, from which sources the revenues were gathered for the king. The priests devoted themselves both to philosophy and to astronomy; and they were companions of the king. The country was first divided into Nomes,1 the Thebais containing ten, the country in the Delta ten, and the country between them sixteen (according to some, the number of the Nomes all told was the same as that of the halls in the Labyrinth, but the number of these is less than thirty2); and again the Nomes were divided into other sections, for most of them were divided into

Meineke and others unnecessarily emend the text to read "thirty-six" (see critical note).

¹ The Greek word (Noµol) here means Districts or Provinces. Pliny (5, 9) refers to them as praefecturae oppidorum.

διήρηντο, καὶ αὐται δ' εἰς ἄλλας τομάς· ἐλάχισται δ' αί άρουραι μερίδες. ἐδέησε δὲ τῆς ἐπ' ἀκριβὲς καὶ κατά λεπτον διαιρέσεως διά τὰς συνεχείς τῶν όρων συγγύσεις, ας ο Νείλος άπεργάζεται κατά τὰς αὐξήσεις, ἀφαιρών καὶ προστιθείς καὶ ἐναλλάττων τὰ σχήματα καὶ τάλλα σημεῖα ἀποκρύπτων, οίς διακρίνεται τό τε άλλότριον καὶ τὸ ίδιον ανάγκη δη αναμετρείσθαι πάλιν καὶ πάλιν. έντεθθεν δε και την γεωμετρίαν συστηναί φασιν, ώς την λογιστικήν καὶ ἀριθμητικήν παρά Φοινίκων διὰ τὰς ἐμπορίας. τριχη δὲ διήρητο, ώσπερ τὸ σύμπαν, καὶ τὸ ἐν ἐκάστω τῶ νομῶ πληθος, εἰς τρία ίσα μερισθείσης της χώρας. ή δὲ περὶ τὸν ποταμον πραγματεία διαφέρει τοσούτον, όσον τή έπιμελεία νικάν την φύσιν. φύσει γάρ πλείονα φέρει καρπὸν καὶ ποτισθεῖσα μᾶλλον, φύσει καὶ Ο 788 ή μείζων ανάβασις του ποταμού πλείω ποτίζει γην, άλλ' ή ἐπιμέλεια πολλάκις καὶ τῆς Φύσεως έξίσχυσεν ἐπιλιπούσης, ώστε καὶ κατά τὰς ἐλάττους άναβάσεις τοσαύτην ποτισθήναι γήν, όσην έν ταίς μείζοσι, διά τε των διωρύγων και των παραχωμάτων ἐπὶ γοῦν τῶν πρὸ Πετρωνίου χρόνων ή μεγίστη μεν ήν φορά και ανάβασις, ήνίκα επί τεσσαρεσκαίδεκα πήχεις ανέβαινεν ο Νείλος, ήνίκα δ' ἐπ' ὀκτώ, συνέβαινε λιμός ἐπ' έκείνου δὲ ἄρξαντος τῆς χώρας καὶ δώδεκα μόνον

¹ By "arourae" Strabo refers to the Aegyptian land-measure, which was 100 Aegyptian cubits square (Herodotus 2. 168), i.e. about seven-elevenths of our acre. Each soldier was

toparchies, and these also into other sections; and the smallest portions were the arourae.1 There was need of this accurate and minute division on account of the continuous confusion of the boundaries caused by the Nile at the time of its increases, since the Nile takes away and adds soil, and changes conformations of lands, and in general hides from view the signs by which one's own land is distinguished from that of Of necessity, therefore, the lands must be re-measured again and again. And here it was, they say, that the science of geometry 2 originated, just as accounting and arithmetic originated with the Phoenicians, because of their commerce.3 Like the people as a whole, the people in each Nome were also divided into three parts, since the land had been divided into three equal parts. The activity of the people in connection with the river goes so far as to conquer nature through diligence. For by nature the land produces more fruit than do other lands, and still more when watered; and by nature a greater rise of the river waters more land; but diligence has oftentimes, even when nature has failed, availed to bring about the watering of as much land even at the time of the smaller rises of the river as at the greater rises, that is, through the means of canals and embankments. At any rate, in the times before Petronius 4 the crop was the largest and the rise the highest when the Nile would rise to fourteen cubits, and when it would rise to only eight a famine would ensue; but in the time of his reign over the

granted the free use of twelve arourae of land without taxation (Herodotus 2, 168).

Literally, "land-measuring."
C. Petronius (see 17, 1, 54).

³ See 16. 2. 24.

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πληρώσαντος πήχεις τοῦ Νείλου μέτρου, μεγίστη ην ή φορά, καὶ ὀκτώ ποτε μόνον πληρώσαντος, λιμοῦ οὐδεὶς ἤσθετο. τοιαύτη μὲν ή διάταξις, τὰ

δ' έξης λέγωμεν νυνί.

4. 'Απὸ γὰρ τῶν Αἰθιοπικῶν τερμόνων ῥεῖ ἐπ' εὐθείας ὁ Νείλος πρὸς ἄρκτους, ἔως τοῦ καλουμένου χωρίου Δέλτα· εἶτ' ἐπὶ κορυφὴν σχιζόμενος ό Νείλος, ώς φησιν ό Πλάτων, ώς αν τριγώνου κοουφην άποτελεί τὸν τόπον τοῦτον, πλευράς δὲ τοῦ τριγώνου τὰ σχιζόμενα ἐφ' ἐκάτερα ῥεῖθρα καθήκοντα μέχρι τῆς θαλάττης, τὸ μὲν ἐν δεξιᾶ της κατὰ Πηλούσιον, τὸ δ' ἐν ὰριστερᾶ της κατὰ Κάνωβον και το πλησίον Ἡράκλειον προσαγορευόμενον, βάσιν δὲ τὴν παραλίαν τὴν μεταξὺ τοῦ Πηλουσίου καὶ τοῦ Ἡρακλείου. γέγονε δή 2 νήσος ἔκ τε τής θαλάττης καὶ τῶν ῥευμάτων άμφοῖν τοῦ ποταμοῦ, καὶ καλεῖται Δέλτα διὰ την όμοιότητα τοῦ σχήματος τὸ δ' ἐπὶ τῆ κορυφη χωρίον όμωνύμως κέκληται διὰ τὸ ἀρχὴν εἶναι τοῦ λεχθέντος σχήματος, καὶ ἡ κώμη δὲ ἡ ἐπ' αὐτῷ καλείται Δέλτα. δύο μὲν οὖν ταῦτα τοῦ Νείλου στόματα, ὧν τὸ μὲν Πηλουσιακὸν καλεῖται, τὸ δὲ Κανωβικὸν καὶ Ἡρακλειωτικόν, μεταξὺ δὲ τούτων άλλαι πέντε εἰσὶν ἐκβολαὶ αἵ γε ἀξιόλογοι, λεπτότεραι δὲ πλείους ἀπὸ γὰρ τῶν πρώτων μερῶν ἀπορρώγες πολλαί καθ' ὅλην μερισθεῖσαι τὴν νησον πολλά και ρείθρα και νήσους εποίησαν, ώσθ' όλην γενέσθαι πλωτήν διωρύγων ἐπὶ διώρυξι τμηθεισών, αὶ κατὰ ραστώνην πλέονται τοσαύτην.

² δή, Groskurd, for δ' ή.

¹ Νείλου μέτρου τ; Νειλομετρίου, Corais; πηχέων . . . μέτρου conj. Villebrun.

country, and when the Nilometer registered only twelve cubits, the crop was the largest, and once, when it registered only eight cubits, no one felt hunger. Such is the organisation of Aegypt; but let me now describe the things that come next in order.

4. The Nile flows from the Aethiopian boundaries towards the north in a straight line to the district called "Delta," and then, being "split at the head," as Plato says,1 the Nile makes this place as it were the vertex of a triangle, the sides of the triangle being formed by the streams that split in either direction and extend to the sea-the one on the right to the sea at Pelusium and the other on the left to the sea at Canobus and the neighbouring Heracleium, as it is called,-and the base by the coast-line between Pelusium and the Heracleium. An island, therefore, has been formed by the sea and the two streams of the river; and it is called Delta on account of the similarity of its shape; and the district at the vertex has been given the same name because it is the beginning of the above-mentioned figure; and the village there is also called Delta. Now these are two mouths of the Nile, of which one is called Pelusiac and the other Canobic or Heracleiotic; but between these there are five other outlets, those at least that are worth mentioning, and several that are smaller; for, beginning with the first parts of the Delta, many branches of the river have been split off throughout the whole island and have formed many streams and islands, so that the whole Delta has become navigable -canals on canals having been cut, which are

¹ Timacus 21 K.

ώστε καὶ ὀστράκινα ἐνίοις εἶναι πορθμεῖα. τὴν μέν οὖν περίμετρον όσον τρισχιλίων σταδίων έστιν ή σύμπασα νήσος καλοῦσι δ' αὐτὴν καὶ την κάτω χώραν σύν ταις άπαντικού ποταμίαις τοῦ Δέλτα· ἐν δὲ ταῖς ἀναβάσεσι τοῦ Νείλου καλύπτεται πάσα καὶ πελαγίζει πλην των οἰκήσεων αθται δ' έπι λόφων αθτοφυών ή χωμάτων Ο 789 ίδρυνται, πόλεις τε άξιόλογοι και κώμαι, νησίζουσαι κατά την πόρρωθεν όψιν. πλείους δ' τετταράκοντα ήμέρας τοῦ θέρους διαμείναν τὸ ύδωρ έπειθ' υπόβασιν λαμβάνει κατ' όλίγον, καθάπεο και την αύξησιν έσχεν εν έξήκοντα δε ήμέραις τελέως γυμνοῦται καὶ ἀναψύχεται τὸ πεδίον όσω δε θαττον ή ανάψυξις, τοσώδε θαττον ό άροτος καὶ ό σπόρος θᾶττον δέ, παρ' οἶς τὰ μείζω θάλπη. τον αὐτον τρόπον καὶ τὰ ἐπάνω τοῦ Δέλτα ποτίζεται, πλην ὅτι ἐπ' εὐθείας ὅσον τετρακισχιλίοις σταδίοις δι' ένδς ρείθρου τοῦ ποταμού φερομένου, πλην εί πού 3 τις έντρέχει νήσος, ων άξιολογωτάτη ή τὸν Ἡρακλειωτικὸν νομον περιέχουσα, ή εί πού τις έκτροπη διώρυγι έπὶ πλέου εἰς λίμνην μεγάλην καὶ χώραν, ἡν ποτίζειν δύναται, καθάπερ ἐπὶ τῆς τὸν 'Αρσινοίτην4 νομον ποτιζούσης 5 και την Μοίριδος λίμνην και των είς την Μαρεωτιν 6 άναχεομένων. συλλήβδην δ' είπειν, ή ποταμία μόνον έστιν Αίγυπτος ή έκατέρωθεν έσχάτη τοῦ Νείλου, σπάνιον εἴ που

¹ καλοῦσι, Brequigny, for κολποῦσι; κατοικοῦσι, Corais.

^{2 8&#}x27; n hmox, n E, & other MSS.

εί που ΕΓ; εἰ μή που other MSS.
 ᾿Αρσινοίτην D; ᾿Αρσινοήτην other MSS.

⁵ ποτιζούσης Letronne, for ποιούσης.

navigated with such ease that some people even use earthenware ferry-boats.1 Now the island as a whole is as much as three thousand stadia in perimeter; and they also call it, together with the opposite riverlands of the Delta, Lower Egypt; 2 but at the rising of the Nile the whole country is under water and becomes a lake, except the settlements; and these are situated on natural hills or on artificial mounds, and contain cities of considerable size and villages, which, when viewed from afar, resemble islands. The water stays more than forty days in summer and then goes down gradually just as it rose; and in sixty days the plain is completely bared and begins to dry out; and the sooner the drying takes place, the sooner the ploughing and the sowing; and the drying takes place sooner in those parts where the heat is greater. The parts above the Delta are also watered in the same way, except that the river flows in a straight course about four thousand stadia through only one channel, except where some island intervenes, of which the most noteworthy is that which comprises the Heracleiotic Nome, or except where the river is diverted to a greater extent than usual by a canal into a large lake or a territory which it can water, as, for instance, in the case of the canal which waters the Arsinoïte Nome and Lake Moeris 3 and of those which spread over Lake Marcotis.4 In short, Aegypt consists of only the river-land, I mean the last stretch of river-

4 Now Lake Mariont.

Cp. Juvenal 15, 126,
 Cp. 1, 2, 23 and 16, 2, 35.

See Herodotus 2. 149 and Breasted's A History of Egypt, pp. 191-94.

^{*} Mapentur E, Mapaintur other MSS.

τριακοσίων σταδίων ἐπέχουσα συνεχῶς πλάτος τὸ οἰκήσιμον, ἀρξαμένη ἀπὸ τών ὅρων² τῆς Λιθιοπίας, μέχρι τῆς κορυφῆς τοῦ Δέλτα. ἔοικεν οῦν κειρία² ψυχομένη ἐπὶ μῆκος, ὑπεξαμρουμένων τῶν ἐπὶ πλέον ἐκτροπῶν. ποιεῖ δὲ τὸ σχῆμα τοῦτο τῆς ποταμίας, ἡς λέγω, καὶ τῆς χωρας τὰ ὅρη τὰ ἐκατέρωθεν ἀπὸ τῶν περὶ Συήνην τόπων καταγόμενα μέχρι τοῦ Λίγυντίου πελάγους ἐφ' ὅσον γὰρ ταῦτα παρατείνει καὶ διέστηκεν ἀπ ἀλληλων, ἐπὶ τοσοῦτον καὶ ὁ ποταμὸς συνάγεται τε καὶ διαχείται καὶ διασχηματίζει τὴν χώραν διαφόρως τὴν οἰκήσιμον. ἡ δὲ ὑπὸρ τῶν ὀρῶν ἐπὶ συχνὸν ἀοίκητὸς ἐστιν.

5. Οἱ μέν οὐν ἀρχαίοι στοχασμφ το πλέον, οἱ δ' ῦστερον αὐτόπται γενηθέντες ἤσθοντο ὑπὸ ὅμβρων θερινῶν πληρούμενον τον Νείλον, τῆς Αἰθιοπίας τῆς ἄνω κλυζομένης, καὶ μάλιστα ἐν τοῖς ἐσχάτοις ὅρεσι, παυσαμένων δὲ τῶν ἄμβρων παυσμένην κατ ὁλίγον τὴν πλημμυρίδα. τοῦτο δ' ὑπῆρξε μάλιστα δῆλον τοῖς πλέουσι τὸν ᾿Αράβιον κόλπον μέχρι τῆς κινναμωμοφόρου καὶ τοῖς ἐκπεμπομένοις ἐπὶ τὴν τῶν ἐλεφάντων θήραν, καὶ εἰ τινες ἄλλαι χρεῖαι παρώξυνον ἐκιδε ἄνδρας προχειρίζεσθαι τοὺς τῆς Αἰγύπτου βασιλέας τοὺς Πτολεμαϊκούς. οὕτοι γὰρ ἐφρύπισαν τῶν τους Πτολεμαϊκούς.

1 8puy, Corais, for ôpûy.

* επρές CEFs (C adding ν above η), κειμές Dhimousus (D

adding the er above 1), supis Ald.

² ψυχορένη, Coraia (who conj. τεταμένη, however), for ψυχορένη; ἀνακτυστομένη οτ ἀνεκτυγμένη conj. Krainer.

But the text seems corrupt (see critical note). Strabe may have written, "Accordingly, it resembles length-wise an x6

land on either side of the Nile, which, beginning at the boundaries of Acthiopia and extending to the vertex of the Delta, scarcely anywhere occupies a continuous habitable space as broad as three hundred stadia. Accordingly, when it is dried, it resembles lengthwise a girdle-band,1 the greater diversions of the river being excepted. This shape of the riverland of which I am speaking, as also of the country, is caused by the mountains on either side, which extend from the region of Syene down to the Aegyptian Sca; for in proportion as these mountains lie near together or at a distance from one another, in that proportion the river is contracted or widened, and gives to the lands that are habitable their different shapes. But the country beyond the mountains is for a great distance uninhabited.2

5. Now the ancients depended mostly on conjecture, but the men of later times, having become eyewitnesses, perceived that the Nilewas filled bysummer
rains, when Upper Aethiopia was flooded, and particularly in the region of its farthermost mountains, and
that when the rains ceased the inundation gradually
ceased. This fact was particularly clear to those who
navigated the Arabian Gulf as far as the Cinnamonbearing country, and to those who were sent out to
huntelephants or upon any other business which may
have prompted the Ptolemaic kings of Aegypt to
despatch men thither. For these kings were concerned with things of this kind; and especially the
Ptolemy surnamed Philadelphus, since he was of an

unwound girdle-band," or else, "Accordingly, it resembles a hand outstretched to full length," meaning both arm and hand, and thus referring to the Delta as well as to the stretch of river-land from Asthiopia to the vertex.

See 1, 2, 25. See 16. 4. 7.

θείς, φιλιστορών καὶ διὰ τὴν ἀσθένειαν τοῦ σώματος διαγωγάς ἀεί τινας καλ τέρψεις ζητών καινοτέρας, οἱ πάλαι δὲ βασιλεῖς οὐ πάνυ Ο 790 εφρόντισαν των τοιούτων, καίπερ ολκείοι σοφίας γεγονότες και αυτοί και οι ιερείς, μεθ' ών ήν αύτοις ὁ πλείων βίος· ώστε και θαυμάζειν άξιον καί διά τουτο καί διότι Σέσωστρις την Λίθιοπίαν ἐπῆλθεν ἄπασαν μέχρι τῆς κινναμωμοφόρου, καὶ ύπομνήματα της στρατείας αύτοθ και νθν έτι δείκνυται, στήλαι και ἐπιγραφαί. Καμβύσης τε την Λίγυπτον κατασχών προηλθε και μέχρι της Μερόης μετά τῶν Λίγυπτίων και δὴ και τοῦνομα τή τε νήσω και τη πόλει τοῦτο παρ' ἐκείνου τεθήναι φασιν, εκεί τής άδελφής αποθανούσης αὐτῷ Μερόης (οἱ δὲ γυναϊκά φασι): τὴν ἐπωνυμίαν οδυ έχαρίσατο αύτή τιμών την άνθρωπου. θαυμαστόν ούν, πώς έκ τών τοιούτων άφορμών ου τελέως έναργής ήν ή περί των δμβρων ίστορία τοις τότε, και ταθτα των Ιερέων φιλοπραγμονέστερον αναφερόντων είς τα ίερα γράμματα καί αποτιθεμένων, όσα μάθησιν περιττήν επιφαίνει.1 εί γάρ άρα, τοῦτ' έχρην ζητείν, ὅπερ καὶ νῦν ἔτι ζητείται, τί δή ποτε θέρους, χειμώνος δε ού, καλ έν τοῖς νοτιωτάτοις, ἐν δὲ τῷ Θηβαίδι καὶ τῷ περὶ Συήνην οὐ συμπίπτουσιν δμβροι· τὸ δ' ὅτι ἐξ δμβρων αι άναβάσεις μη ζητείν, μηδέ τοιούτων δείσθαι μαρτύρων, οίους Ποσειδώνιος εξρηκε. φησί γὰρ Καλλισθένη λέγειν την έκ τῶν ὅμβρων

I brogalies mos, brevelees E, marg. P, D first hand but changed to be opsizes.

Diodorus Siculus (1. 33) says his mother.
So 15. 1. 19.

inquiring disposition, and on account of the infirmity of his body was always searching for novel pastimes and enjoyments. But the kings of old were not at all concerned with such things, although they proved themselves congenial to learning, both they and the priests, with whom they spent the greater part of their lives; and therefore we may well be surprised, not only on this account, but also by the fact that Sesostris traversed the whole of Aethiopia as far as the Cinnamon-bearing country, and that memorials of his expedition, pillars and inscriptions, are to be seen even to this day. Further, when Cambyses took possession of Aegypt, he advanced with the Aegyptians even as far as Meroe; and indeed this name was given by him to both the island and the city, it is said, because his sister Meroe-some say his wife-1 died there. The name, at any rate, he bestowed upon the place in honour of the woman. It is surprising, therefore, that the men of that time, having such knowledge to begin with, did not possess a perfectly clear knowledge of the rains, especially since the priests rather meticulously record in their sacred books, and thus store away, all facts that reyeal any curious information; for they should have investigated, if they made any investigations at all, the question, which even to this day is still being investigated, I mean why in the world rains fall in summer but not in winter, and in the southernmost parts but not in Thebaïs and the country round Syene;2 but the fact that the rising of the river results from rains should not have been investigated, nor yet should this matter have needed such witnesses as Poseidonius mentions; for instance, he says that it was Callisthenes who states that the summer rains

αίτίαν τῶν θερινῶν, παρὰ 'Αριστοτέλους λαβόντα, ἐκεῖνον δὲ παρὰ Θρασυάλκου τοῦ Θασίου (τῶν ἀρχαίων δὲ φυσικῶν εἰς οῦτος), ἐκεῖνον δὲ παρ' ἄλλου,' τὸν δὲ παρ' 'Ομήρου δυπετέα φάσκουτος τὸν Νείλου'

άν δ' είς Αλγύπτοιο διιπετέος ποταμοίο.

'Αλλ' ἐῶ ταῦτα, πολλῶν εἰρηκότων, ὧν ἀρκέσει δύο μηνῦσαι τοὺς ποιήσαντας καθ' ημῶς το περί τοῦ Νείλου βιβλίου, Βύδωρον τε και ἱ Λρίστωνα τὸν ἐκ τῶν περιπάτων· πλὴν γὰρ τῆς τάξεως τά γε ἀλλα καὶ τῆ ἀράσει καὶ τῆ ἀπιχειρήσει ταυτά ² ἀστι κείμενα παρ ἀμφοτέροις. ἐγὼ γοῦν ἀπορούμενος ἀντιγράφων εἰς τὴν ἀντιβολὴν ἐκ θατέρου θάτερον ἀντέβαλον· πότερος δ' ἢν ὁ τὰλλότρια ὑποβαλλόμενος, ἐν ᾿Αμωνος εὕροι τις ἄν. Εὐδωρος δ' ἢτιᾶτο τὸν ᾿Αρίστωνα· ἡ μέντοι φράσις ᾿Αριστώνιος μᾶλλόν ἐστιν.

Οἱ μἐν οὖν ἀρχαῖοι τὸ οἰκούμενον αὐτὸ καὶ ποτιζόμενον ὑπὸ τοῦ Νείλου μόνον Λίγνπτον ἐκάλουν, ἀπὸ τῶν περὶ Συήνην τόπων ἀρξάμενοι μέχρι τῆς θαλάττης: οἱ δ' ὕστερον μέχρι νῦν προσέλαβον ἐκ μὲν τῶν πρὸς ἔω μερῶν τὰ³ μεταξὺ τοῦ ᾿Αραβίου κόλπου καὶ τοῦ Νείλου C 791 σχεδόν τι πάντα (οἱ δ' Λίθίσκες οὐ πάνυ χρῶνται τῆ Ἑρυθρῶ θαλάττη), ἐκ δὸ τῶν ἐσπερίων τὰ '

¹ For δλλου C. Müller conj. παρά Θαλοῦ (citing I. 1. 11).

³ valvd, Cornis, for valva.
3 vd, before peragé, Cornis inserts.

Literally "antigraphs"; i.e., apparently, "copies" of parallel passages from the two works.

are the cause of the risings, though Callisthenes took the assertion from Aristotle, and Aristotle from Thrasyalces the Thasian (one of the early physicists), and Thrasyalces from someone cisc, and he from Homer, who calls the Nile "heaven-fed": "And back again to the land of Aegyptus, heaven-fed river."

But I dismiss this subject, since it has been discussed by many writers, of whom it will suffice to report only the two who in my time have written the book about the Nile, I mean Endorus and Ariston the Peripatetic philosopher; for except is the matter of arrangement everything found in the two writers is the same as regards both style and treatment. I, at any rate, being in want of copies 1 with which to make a comparison, compared the one work with the other;² but which of the two men it was who appropriated to himself the other's work might be discovered at Ammon's temple! Endorus accused Ariston; the style, however, is more like that of Ariston.

Now the early writers gave the name Aegypt to only the part of the country that was inhabited and watered by the Nile, beginning at the region of Syenë and extending to the sea; but the later writers down to the present time have added on the eastern side approximately all the parts between the Arabian Gulf and the Nile (the Aethiopians do not use the Red Sea at all *), and on the western side the parts

² In the Alexandrian library, apparently.

The other translators interpret who as meaning "much," or "to such an extent," or the like. But Strabe is speaking of Acthicopiase in the strict sense of the term; for "the country between the Nile and Arabian Gulf is Arabia" (17.1. 21), and even Aegyptian Hollupolis (17. 1. 30) and Thobes (17. 1. 40) are in "Arabia."

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μέγρι τών Αὐάσεων καὶ ἐν τῷ παραλία τὰ ἀπὸ τοῦ Κανωβικοῦ στόματος μέχρι Καταβάθμοῦ καὶ της Κυρηναίων έπικρατείας. οί τε γάρ άπο του Πτολεμαίου βασιλείς ἴσχυσαν τοσοῦτον, ώστε 1 καὶ τὴν Κυρηναίαν αὐτὴν κατέσχον καὶ διενείμαντο πρός την Αίγυπτον καί την Κύπρον. Ρωμαΐοί τε οί διαδεξάμενοι την εκείνων επαργίαν κρίναντες την Αίγυπτον έν τοις αύτοις όροις διεφύλαξαν. Αὐάσεις δ' οἱ Αἰγύπτιοι καλούσι τάς οίκουμένας χώρας περιεχομένας κύκλφ μεγάλαις έρημίαις, ώς αν νήσους πελαγίας. πολύ δέ τοῦτ' ἔστι κατά την Λιβύην, τρεῖς δ' εἰσὶν αί πρόσχωροι τῆ Αἰγύπτφ καὶ ὑπ'2 αὐτῆ τεταγμέναι. τα μέν ούν καθ' όλου και άνωτάτω περί τῆς Λίγύπτου ταθτα λέγομεν, τὰ καθ' ἔκαστα δὲ καὶ Β τὰς ἀρετὰς αὐτῆς νῦν διέξιμεν.

6. Έπεὶ δὰ τὸ πλεῖστον τοῦ ἔργου τούτου καὶ τὸ κυριώτατου ἡ 'Αλεξάνδρειά ἐστι καὶ τὰ περὶ αὐτήν, ἐντεῦθεν ἀρκτέου. ἔστι τοίνυν ἡ ἀπὸ Πηλουσίου παραλία πρὸς τὴν ἐσπέραν πλέουσε μέχρι μὲν τοῦ Κανωβικοῦ στόματος χιλίων που καὶ τριακοσίων σταδίων, ὁ δὴ καὶ βάσιν τοῦ Δέλτα ἔφαμεν ἐντεῦθεν δ' ἐπὶ Φάρον τὴν νῆσον ἄλλοι στάδιοι πεντήκοντα πρὸς τοῖς ἐκπόν. ἡ ὁ Φάρος νησίον ἐστὶ παράμηκες, προσεχέστατον τῆ ἡπείρω, λιμένα πρὸς αὐτὴν ποιοῦν ἀμδίστομου.

¹ Sore, Letronne and Groskurd, for of ye.

^{*} on' on for dw'; so Corais and Meincke.

^{*} The text of F from saf to Hrohepoles (17. 1. 11) is lost.

Ptolemy I (Soter), reigned 323-285 s.c.

extending as far as the cases, and on the sea-coast the parts extending from the Canobic mouth to Catabathmus and the domain of the Cyrenseans. For the kings after Ptolemy 1 became so powerful that they took possession of Cyrennea itself and even united Cypros with Aegypt. The Romans, who succeeded the Ptolemics, separated their three dominions and have kept Acgypt within its former limits.2 The Aegyptians call "oases"3 the inhabited districts which are surrounded by large deserts, like islands in the open sea. There is many an oasis in Libva, and three of them lie close to Aegypt and are classed as subject to it. This, then, is my general, or summary, account of Aegypt, and I shall now discuss the separate parts and the excellent attributes of the country.

6. Since Alexandria and its neighbourhood constitute the largest and most important part of this subject, I shall begin with them. The sea-coast, then, from Pelusium, as one sails towards the west, as far as the Canobic mouth, is about one thousand three hundred stadia—the "base" of the Delta, as I have called it; and thence to the island Pharos, one hundred and fifty stadia more. Pharos is an oblong isle, is very close to the mainland, and forms with it a harbour with two mouths; for

² The Romans made Cyrennes an "allied state" (sivilas focusials) in 50 s.c., a Roman province in 88 s.c., and later (see 17. 3. 25) united it with Creta. Cypros was annexed to the province of Cilicia in 47 s.c., presented by Antony to Cleopatra in 32 s.c., made an imperial province in 27 s.c., and a senatorial province in 22 s.c.

The Greek spelling is "auases."
See Map of Alexandria at end of volume.

^{* 17. 1, 4,}

hιών γάρ έστι κολπώδης, ἄκρας είς το πέλαγος προβεβλημένη δύο τούτων δὲ μεταξύ ή νήσος Τδρυται κλείουσα τον κύλπον, παραβέβληται γαρ αύτῷ κατὰ μήκος. τῶν δ' ἄκρων τῆς Φάρου τὸ μέν έφον μάλλον έστι προσεχές τη ήπείρω καί τῆ κατ' αὐτὴν ἄκρα (καλεῖται δ' ἄκρα Λοχιάς). καὶ ποιεί του λιμένα άρτίστομου 1 προς δε τή στενότητι του μεταξύ πόρου και πέτραι είσίν, αί μεν υφαλοι, αι δε και εξέχουσαι, τραχύνουσαι πάσαν ώραν το προσπίπτον έκ του πελάγους κλυδώνιον. ἔστι δὲ καὶ αὐτὸ τὸ τῆς νησίδος άκρον πέτρα περίκλυστος, έχουσα πύργον θαυμαστώς κατεσκευασμένον λευκού λίθου πολυόροφον, όμώνυμον τἢ νήσφ. τοῦτον δ' ἀνέθηκε Σώστρατος Κυίδιος, φίλος τῶν βασιλέων, τῆς τῶν πλωϊζομένων σωτηρίας χάριν, ῶς φησιν ή ἐπιγραφή: ² ἀλιμένου γὰρ οὐσης καὶ ταπεινής της εκατέρωθεν παραλίας, έχούσης δὲ καὶ χοιρά. δας και βράχη τινά, έδει σημείου τινός ύψηλοῦ

1 Augiorques to, Cornia.

After ἐπτγραφή C, in the margin, adds: Ἐπίγραμμα.
 Σώστρατα Κυβίας Δεξιφάνους δεοίς σωτήρους ὑπὶρ τῶν πλωίζεμόνων. The same words are found in Dhirw, and also, with Ἐπίγραμμα omitted, in mozz.

¹ This tower, one of the "Wendlers of the World," cost 800 talents (Pfiny 6. 18). According to Eusebius (Chron. of Olymp. 124. 1), it was built in the time of Ptolemy Philadelphus, but, according to Suidas, at the beginning of the reign of Pyrrhus (299 n.c.), i.e. in the time of Ptolemy Soter. According to Josephus (Bell. Jus. 4. 10. 5, or L. C. L. clitton, Vol. III, pp. 181 and 251), it was visible from the sea at 300 stadis; according to Epiphanea (Steph. 19xn, s.v. 4dps), it was 306 fathems high; and the Schot. Lucian ad Largermenuppum, § 12, says that it was visible 300 miles away! See

the shore of the mainland forms a bay, since it thrusts two promontories into the open sea, and between these is situated the island, which closes the bay, for it lies lengthwise parallel to the shore. Of the extremities of Pharos, the eastern one lies closer to the mainland and to the promontory opposite it (the promontory called Lochias), and thus makes the harbour narrow at the mouth; and in addition to the narrowness of the intervening passage there are also rocks, some under the water. and others projecting out of it, which at all hours roughen the waves that strike them from the open sea. And likewise the extremity of the isle is a rock, which is washed all round by the sea and has upon it a tower that is admirably constructed of white marble with many stories and bears the same name as the island.1 This was an offering made by Sostratus of Cnidus, a friend of the kings, for the safety of mariners, as the inscription says :2 for since the coast was harbourless and low on either side, and also had reefs and shallows, those who were sailing from the open sea thither needed some lofty and

A. M. do Zoghab, Études sur L'Ancienne Alexandrie, Paris, 1910; and Thiersch's restoration of the tower in Restortzelf's

A History of the Ancient World, Vol. I, p. 309.

Some of the MSS. (see critical note) record the inscription, which is preserved in Lucian, How to Write History, § 62 (but is obviously a gloss in Stralop): "Seatmans of Caidan, son of Ibexiphanes, on behalf of mariners, to the Divine Saviours." "The Divine Saviours might refer to Ptolomy Seter and Becanich (see the Corais-Letronne celliton, which oltes Spannheim, De Praestantia et Una Numbranat, I, p. 415, and Viscouri, Lonographic Groupe II, 18, p. 564), but it was the Dioscuri (Castor and Pollux) who were known by "all" as "guardians of the sea" and "the saviours of sailors" (I. 3. 2 and 5. 3. 5).

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καὶ λαμπρού τοῖς ἀπὸ τοῦ πελάγους προσπλέου-Ο 792 σιν, ώστ' εύστοχεῖν τῆς εἰσβολῆς τοῦ λιμένος. καὶ τὸ ἐσπέριον δὲ στόμα οὐκ εὐείσβολόν ἐστιν, ού μην τοσαύτης γε δείται προνοίας. ποιεί δὲ καὶ τοῦτο ἄλλον λιμένα τὸν τοῦ Εὐνόστου καλούμενον πρόκειται δ΄ ούτος του δρυκτού καλ κλειστοῦ λιμένος ὁ μὲν γὰρ ἐκ τοῦ λεχθέντος πύργου της Φάρου τον είσπλουν έχων ο μέγας έστι λιμήν ούτοι δὲ συνεχεῖς ἐυ βάθει ἐκείνω, τῷ ἐππασταδίω καλουμένω χώματι διειργόμενοι ἀπ' αὐτοῦ, παράκεινται. τὸ δὲ χῶμά ἐστιν ἀπὸ τῆς ήπείρου γέφυρα ἐπὶ τὴν νῆσον κατὰ τὸ ἐσπέριον αυτής μέρος έκτεταμένη, δύο διάπλους άπολείπουσα μόνον είς τον Εὐνόστου λιμένα, καὶ αὐτοὺς νεγεφυρωμένους. ην δ' ου γέφυρα μόνον έπλ την νήσον το έργον τούτο, άλλα και ύδραγώγιον, ότε γε ώκεῖτο· νθν δ' ήρημωσεν αὐτην ὁ θεὸς Καΐσαρ έν τῶ πρὸς 'Αλεξανδρέας πολέμω, τεταγμένην μετά τῶν βασιλέων δλίγοι δ' οἰκοθσι πρός τῷ πύργω ναυτικοί ἄνδρες. ο γοῦν μέγας λιμὴν πρὸς τῷ κεκλεῖσθαι καλῶς τῷ τε χώματι καὶ τῆ φύσει, άγχιβαθής τέ έστιν, ώστε την μεγίστην ναθν έπί κλίμακος όρμεῖν, καὶ εἰς πλείους σχίζεται λιμένας. οί μέν οθν πρότεροι των Αίγυπτίων βασιλείς,

¹ i.e. "Harbour of the happy return." This harbour might have been so named after Eunostus, king of Soli in Cypros and son-in-law of Ptokemy Soter (C. Wachsmuth, Gällinger Festreds, 1876, 4), the idea being inspired, perhaps, by the fact that Eunostus was so good a harbour as compared with the eastern.

This harbour (called "Gibotus," 6.6. "Chest" or "Box"), which was fortified, was connected with Lake Marcotis by a canal. Its shape and size are to-day problematical, for it

conspicuous sign to enable them to direct their course aright to the entrance of the harbour. And the western mouth is also not easy to enter, although it does not require so much caution as the other. And it likewise forms a second harbour, that of Eunostus,1 as it is called, which lies in front of the closed harbour which was dug by the hand of man.2 For the harbour which affords the entrance on the side of the above-mentioned tower of Pharos is the Great Harbour, whereas these two lie continuous with that harbour in their innermost recess, being separated from it only by the embankment called the Heptastadium.3 The embankment forms a bridge extending from the mainland to the western portion of the island, and leaves open only two passages into the harbour of Eunostus, which are bridged over. However, this work formed not only a bridge to the island but also an aqueduct, at least when Pharos was inhabited. But in these present times it has been laid waste by the deified Caesar 4 in his war against the Alexandrians, since it had sided with the kings. A few seamen, however, live near the tower. As for the Great Harbour, in addition to its being beautifully enclosed both by the embankment and by nature, it is not only so deep close to the shore that the largest ship can be moored at the steps, but also is cut up into several harbours. Now the earlier kings of the

has been filled up and its site lies within that of the present Reptastedium.

So called from its boing "Seven Stadia" in length. It has been so much enlarged by alluvial deposits and debris from the old city that it is now, generally speaking, a mile wile, and forms a large part of the site of the city of to-day.

4 Julius Caesar.

άγαπώντες οίς είχον καὶ οὐ πάνυ ἐπεισάκτων δεόμενοι, διαβεβλημένοι πρὸς ἄπαντας τοὺς πλέοντας, και μάλιστα τούς "Ελληνας (πορθηταί γάρ ήσαν καὶ ἐπιθυμηταὶ τῆς άλλοτρίας κατὰ σπάνιν γής), ἐπέστησαν φυλακήν τῷ τόπω τούτω, κελεύσαντες άπείργειν τούς προσιόντας κατοικίαν δ' αύτοις έδοσαν την προσαγορευομένην 'Ρακώτιν, ή νῦν μὲν τῆς 'Αλεξανδρέων πόλεώς ἐστι μέρος τὸ ύπερκείμενον τών νεωρίων, τότε δὲ κώμη ὑπῆρχε. τα δε κύκλω της κώμης βουκόλοις παρέδοσαν, δυναμένοις και αὐτοῖς κωλύειν τοὺς ἔξωθεν ἐπιόντας, ἐπελθών δὲ 'Αλέξανδρος, ίδων την εὐκαιρίαν, ἔγνω τειχίζειν ἐπὶ τῷ λιμένι τὴν πόλιντής δ΄ ύστερον ἐπηκολουθηκυίας εὐδαιμονίας τῆ πόλει μύημονεύουσί τι σημείον κατά την ύπογραφήν του κτίσματος συμβάν· τών γαρ άρχιτεκτόνων γή 1 λευκή διασημαινομένων την τοῦ περιβόλου γραμμήν, ἐπιλιπούσης τῆς γῆς καὶ τοῦ βασιλέως ἐπιόντος, οἱ διοικηταὶ τῶν αλφίτων μέρος των παρεσκευασμένων τοῖς ἐργάταις παρέσχου, δι' ὧν καὶ αἱ ὁδοὶ κατετμήθησαν εἰς πλείους 2 τοῦτ' οὖν οἰωνίσθαι λέγονται 3 πρὸς άγαθοῦ γεγονός.4

 ή δ' εὐκαιρία πολύτροπος ἀμφίκλυστόν τε γάρ έστι τὸ χωρίον δυσὶ πελάγεσι, τῷ μὲν 5

¹ γ²₂, Groskurd, for τ²₂.

els wheleus, Tozer suspects as being a gloss.

héyeras mos. yeyandros Dhi.

Literally, "white earth."

^{*} το μέν . . . το 84 E, το μέν . . . το 86 other MSS.

According to Plutarch (Alexander 28), birds of all kinds settled on the place like clouds and ate up all the barloy-

Aegyptians, being content with what they had and not wanting foreign imports at all, and being prejudiced against all who sailed the seas, and particularly against the Greeks (for owing to scarcity of land of their own the Greeks were ravagers and coveters of that of others), set a guard over this region and ordered it to keep away any who should approach; and they gave them as a place of abode Rhacotis, as it is called, which is now that part of the city of the Alexandrians which lies above the ship-houses, but was at that time a village; and they gave over the parts round about the village to herdsmen, who likewise were able to prevent the approach of outsiders. But when Alexander visited the place and saw the advantages of the site, he resolved to fortify the city on the harbour. Writers record, as a sign of the good fortune that has since attended the city, an incident which occurred at the time of tracing the lines of the foundation: When the architects were marking the lines of the enclosure with chalk,1 the supply of chalk gave out; and when the king arrived, his stewards furnished a part of the barley-meal which had been prepared for the workmen, and by means of this the streets also, to a larger number than before, were laid out. This occurrence, then, they are said to have interpreted as a good omen.2

7. The advantages of the city's site are various; for, first, the place is washed by two seas, on the

meal with which the area had been marked out, so that Alexander was greatly disturbed at the omen; but the sear assured him that the omen was good. The barley-meal butchened an abundance of food (Ammianus Marcellinus 22, 16.7).

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Ο 793 ἀπὸ τῶν ἄρκτων τῷ Αἰγυπτίω λεγομένω, τῶ δ' άπὸ μεσημβρίας τῷ τῆς λίμνης τῆς Μαρείας, η καὶ Μαρεώτις 1 λέγεται· πληροί δὲ ταύτην πολλαῖς διώρυξιν ὁ Νείλος, ἄνωθέν τε καὶ ἐκ πλαγίων, δι' ὧν τὰ εἰσκομιζόμενα πολλῷ πλείω τῶν ἀπὸ θαλάττης ἐστίν, ὥσθ' ὁ λιμὴν ὁ λιμναῖος ύπηρχε πλουσιώτερος του θαλαττίου ταύτη δέ καὶ τὰ ἐκκομιζόμενα ἐξ 'Αλεξανδρείας πλείω τών εἰσκομιζομένων ἐστί· γυοίη δ' ἄν τις ἔν τε τῆ 'Αλεξανδρεία καὶ τῆ Δικαιαρχία γενόμενος, όρῶν τὰς όλκάδας ἔν τε τῷ κατάπλω καὶ ἐν ταῖς άναγωγαίς, όσον βαρύτεραί τε καὶ κουφύτεραι δεθρο κάκεῖσε πλέοιεν. πρός δὲ τῷ πλούτῳ τῶν καταγομένων έκατέρωσε είς τε τὸν κατὰ θάλατταν λιμένα και είς του λιμυαίου, και το εὐάερου άξιου σημειώσεώς έστιν δ καλ αυτό συμβαίνει διά το άμφίκλυστον καὶ τὸ εὔκαιρον τῆς ἀναβάσεως τοῦ Νείλου. αι μεν γάρ άλλαι πύλεις αι έπι λιμνών ίδρυμέναι βαρείς και πνιγώδεις έχουσι τους άέρας έν τοις καύμασι τοῦ θέρους. ἐπὶ γὰρ τοις χείλεσιν αί λίμναι τελματούνται διά την έκ των ήλίων άναθυμίασιν· βορβορώδους οὖν άναφερομένης τοσαύτης ἰκμάδος, νοσώδης ὁ ἀὴρ ἔλκεται καὶ λοιμικών κατάρχει παθών έν 'Αλεξανδρεία δὲ του θέρους άρχομένου πληρούμενος ο Νείλος πληροί και την λίμνην και ούδεν έψ τελματώδες τὸ τὴν ἀναφορὰν ποιῆσον² μοχθηράν· τότε δὲ και οι έτησίαι πνέουσιν έκ των βορείων και τοῦ τοσούτου πελάγους, ώστε κάλλιστα του θέρους Αλεξανδρείς διάγουσιν.

MSS. Mapelar . . Mapeuris E, Maplas . . . Mapauris other MSS.

north by the Aegyptian Sea, as it is called, and on the south by Lake Marcia, also called Marcotis. This is filled by many canals from the Nile, both from above and on the sides, and through these canals the imports are much larger than those from the sea, so that the harbour on the lake was in fact richer than that on the sea; and here the exports from Alexandria also are larger than the imports; and anyone might judge, if he were at either Alexandria or Dicaearchia1 and saw the merchant vessels both at their arrival and at their departure, how much heavier or lighter they sailed thither or therefrom. And in addition to the great value of the things brought down from both directions, both into the harbour on the sea and into that on the lake, the salubrity of the air is also worthy of remark. And this likewise results from the fact that the land is washed by water on both sides and because of the timeliness of the Nile's risings; for the other cities that are situated on lakes have heavy and stifling air in the heats of summer, because the lakes then become marshy along their edges because of the evaporation caused by the sun's rays, and, accordingly, when so much filth-laden moisture rises, the air inhaled is noisome and starts pestilential diseases, whereas at Alexandria, at the beginning of summer, the Nile, being full, fills the lake also, and leaves no marshy matter to corrupt the rising vapours. At that time, also, the Etesian winds blow from the north and from a vast sea, so that the Alexandrians pass their time most pleasantly in summer.

1 Now Putcoli.

The Aegyptian monsoons, here called the "Etesian" (i.c. "Annual") winds, blow from the north-west all

8. "Εστι δὲ χλαμυδοειδὲς τὸ σχήμα τοῦ ἐδάφους της πόλεως· οῦ τὰ μὲν ἐπὶ μηκος πλευρά ἐστι τὰ άμφίκλυστα, όσον τριάκοντα σταδίων έχοντα διάμετρον, τὰ δὲ ἐπὶ πλάτος οἱ ἰσθμοί, ἐπτὰ ἡ ὀκτὸ σταδίων έκάτερος, σφυγγόμενος τῆ μὲν ὑπὸ θαλάττης, τη δ' ύπὸ τής λίμνης. ἄπασα μὲν όδοῖς κατατέτμηται ίππηλάτοις καὶ άρματηλάτοις, δυσὶ δε πλατυτάταις, έπὶ πλέον ἡ πλέθρον ἀναπεπταμέναις, αξ δή δίχα καὶ πρός όρθὰς τέμνουσιν άλλήλας. έχει δ' ή πόλις τεμένη το κοινά κάλλιστα καὶ τὰ βασίλεια, τέταρτον ή καὶ τρίτον τοῦ παντός περιβόλου μέρος: τῶν γὰρ βασιλέων έκαστος ώσπερ τοῖς κοινοῖς ἀναθήμασι προσεφιλοκάλει τινά κόσμον, οῦτω καὶ οἴκησιν ἰδία

2 Strabo is thinking apparently of a line drawn from the centre of the akirt of the chlamys, which was circular, to

the centre of the collar.

According to Plutarch (5. 11), the shape was like that of a According to Tuteron (c. 11), the anapo was into that of a Macadoniae chlamys, or military closk; and the plan was designed by "Dicohares" (probably an error for "Deinocrates"). Likewise, "the inhabited world is chlamys-shaped" (see Vol. I, p. 435 and footnote 3). See Terbell, Classical Philology, I, p. 283, for a discussion of this passage as bearing on the shape of the chlamys.

According to Philo (In Flaceum 973 A) the city was divided into five sections, which were designated as Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, and Epsilon. Beta apparently comprised the palaces, including the Museum, the Sema and many other buildings; Delta, the Jewish quarter (Josephus, Ball. Jud. 2. 8); but the sites of the three others are doubtful. On the dimensions of the city, op. Josephus, Bell. Jud. 2. 16. 4 (30 × 10 stadia); Philo, In Flaccum 767 (10 stadia in breadth); Stephanus Byzantinus, s.v. 'AAcid-Spera (34 × 8,

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8. The shape of the area of the city is like a chlamys; 1 the long sides of it are those that are washed by the two waters, having a diameter 2 of about thirty stadia, and the short sides are the isthmuses, each being seven or eight stadia wide and pinched in on one side by the sea and on the other by the lake.3 The city as a whole is intersected by streets practicable for horse-riding and chariotdriving, and by two that are very broad, extending to more than a plethrum in breadth, which cut one another into two sections and at right angles.4 And the city contains most beautiful public precincts and also the royal palaces, which constitute one-fourth or even one-third of the whole circuit of the city; for just as each of the kings, from love of splendour, was wont to add some adornment to the public monuments, so also he would invest himself at his own expense with a residence, in addition to those

and 110 in circuit); Pliny 5, 10 (15 miles in circuit); and Diodorus Siculus 17, 59 (40 in breadth), who obviously means by "breadth" what others call "length," and seems

to include suburban districts on east and west.

4 The main longitudinal street ran straight through from the "Canobic Gate," or "Gate of the Sun," on the east to the "Gate of the Moon" on the west. Its site has been identified in part with that of the present Rosetta Street (see A. M. de Zogher, Eudes sur Internal Alexandria, p. 11); but Dr. Botti (cited by Zogher) takes a different view. "The most important of the latitudinal streets was that of the Sema, which had on its right the tomb of Alexander the Great, and, on its left, very probably the Museum. Then it crossed the Canobic avenue, passed the Adrianum and Caesareum on the right, the temple of Isis-Plousia and the Emporium on the left, and ends on the quay of the great maritime port and the place of embarkation, near the two obelisks" (Neroutses-Bey, quoted by Zogher, p. 15). See Map at end of volume.

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περιεβάλλετο πρός ταῖς ύπαρχούσαις, ώστε νῦν τὸ τοῦ ποιητοῦ,

έξ έτέρων έτερ' έστίν

απαντα μέντοι συναφή καὶ ἀλλήλοις καὶ τῷ λιμένι, καὶ ὅσα ἔξω αὐτοῦ. τῶν δὲ βασιλείων μέρος ἐστὶ καὶ τὸ Μουσεῖον, ἔχον περίπατον καὶ Ο 194 ἐξέδραν καὶ οἰκον μέγαν, ἐν ῷ τὸ συσσίτιον τῶν μετεχόντων τοῦ Μουσείον ἀλλολόγων ἀνδρῶν, ἔστι δὲ τῆ συνόδω ταὐτη καὶ χρήματα κοινὰ καὶ ἰερεὺς ὁ ἐπὶ τῷ Μουσείον, τεταγμένος τότε μὲν ὑπὸ τῶν βασιλείων, νῦν δ' ὑπὸ Καίσαρος. μέρος δὲ τῶν βασιλείων ἐστὶ καὶ τὸ καλούμενον Σῆμα, ἔ ὁ περίβολος ἦν, ἐν ῷ αἱ τῶν βασιλέων ταφαὶ καὶ ἡ 'λλεξάνδρον· ἔψθη γὰρ τὸ σῶμα ἀφελόμενος Περδίκκαν ὁ τοῦ Λάγου Πτολεμαῖος, κατακομίζοντα ἐκ τῆς Βαβυλῶνος καὶ ἐκτρεπόμενον ταὐτη κατὰ πλεονεξίαν καὶ ἐξίδιασμὸν τῆς Λλγύπτον.

¹ brd Dhi.

⁸ Жыв, Tzschucke, for Хона; so later editors.

Odyssey, 17. 266 (concerning the palace of Odyssens).
 i.e. on the promoutory called Lochias (see § 9 following).

² Gp. the structure described by Vitravins, Ite 3 is followingly.
(5. 11 2): "Spacious exedras within three portions with seats, where philosophers, rhetoricians and all others who take delight in studies can engage in disputation." Saidas (e.e. 48%) seems to make the Exedra a building distinct from the Museum and the Exedra.

^{*} i.e. "Tomb." However, the MSS. (see critical note) read Sume, i.e. "Body." And so does the Greek version of the Fseudo-Callistiness (O. Möller, Didot Edition, Seriestores Review Alexander's Magnet III, 3. 4): "And Ptolera made a tomb in the holy place called "Body of Alexander"; but and there he laid the body, or remains, of Alexander"; but

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already built, so that now, to quote the words of the poet,1 "there is building upon building." All, however, are connected with one another and the harbour, even those that lie outside 2 the harbour. The Museum is also a part of the royal palaces; it has a public walk, an Exedra with seats, and a large house,3 in which is the common mess-hall of the men of learning who share the Museum. This group of men not only hold property in common, but also have a priest in charge of the Museum, who formerly was appointed by the kings, but is now appointed by Caesar. The Sema also,4 as it is called, is a part of the royal palaces. This was the enclosure which contained the burial-places of the kings and that of Alexander; for Ptolemy, the son of Lagus, forestalled Perdiceas by taking the body away from him when he was bringing it down from Babylon and was turning aside towards Aegypt, moved by greed and a desire to make that country his own.6 Further-

the Syrian version (Alexander the Great, trans. by E. A. W. Budgo, p. 142) reads: "and they call that place 'The tomb of Alexander' unto this day." But more important is the statement of Zenobius (Proverbia III, θ4): "Ptolemy (Philopator) built in the middle of the city a mnema (μημα olkoδρμήσα), which is now called the Sema, and he laid there all his forefathers together with his mother, and also Alexander the Maccdonian."

⁵ Ptolemy Soter.

The accounts vary. According to Diodorus Siculus (18. 26-28), Arrhidaeus spent two years making elaborate proparations for the removal of Alexander's body; and Ptolemy I went as far as Syria to meet him, and thence took the body to Aegypt for burial. Pausanias (1. 6. 3, 1. 7. 1) says that Ptolemy I buried it at Memphis and Ptolemy II transferred it to Alexandria. The Pseudo-Callisthenes (4.c.) says that the Macedonians were at first determined to take the body back to Macedonia, but later, upon consulting the

καὶ δὴ καὶ ἀπώλετο διαφθαρεὶς ὑπὸ τῶν στρατιωτῶν, ἐπελθόντος τοῦ Πτολεμαίου καὶ κατακλείσαντος αὐτὸν ἐν νήσω ἐρήμης ἐκεῖνος μὲν οῦν ἀπέθανεν ἐμπεριπαρεὶς ὶ ταῖς σαρίσσαις, ἐπελ. θόντων ἐπ' αὐτὸν ² τῶν στρατιωτὸν, σὺν αὐτῷ δὲ καὶ οἱ βασιλεῖς, ᾿Αριδαῖος τε καὶ τὰ παιδία τὰ ᾿Αλεξάνδρου, καὶ ἡ γυνὴ Ῥωξώνη ἀπῆραν εἰς Μακεδονίαν τὸ δὲ σῶμα τοῦ ᾿Αλεξάνδρου κριίσας ὁ Πτολεμαῖος ἐκήδευσεν ἐν τῆ ἀλέξανδρεία, ὅπου νῦν ἔτι κεῖται οὐ μὴν ἐν τῆ αὐτῆ πνέλω. ὑαλίνη γὰρ αὕτη, ἐκεῖνος δὶ ἐν χρυσῆ κατέθηκεν ἐσύλησε δ᾽ ἀὐτὴν ³ ὁ Κόκκης καὶ Παρείσακτος ἐπικληθείς Πτολεμαῖος, ἐκ τῆς Συρίας ἐπελθῶν καὶ ἐκπεσῶν εὐθύς, ὡστ' ἀνόνητα αὐτῷ τὰ σῦλα γενέσθαι.

 Έστε δ' ἐν τῷ μεγάλῳ λιμένι κατὰ μὲν τὸν εἴσπλουν ἐν δεξιᾶ ἡ νῆσος καὶ ὁ πύργος ὁ Φάρος, κατὰ δὲ τὴν ἔτέραν χεῦρα αι τε χοιράδες καὶ ἡ

* περιπαρείε Coraia. * ἐπ' αὐτῷ στρατιωτῶν Dhi.
* αὐτῷν Εικος, αὐτὸν other MSS.

Perdiccas first attacked Ptolemy on the Polusiac branch of the Nile "not far from a fortress called 'Camel's Wall."

oracle of the Babylonian Zous, all agreed that "Philip Ptolemy" (aurely an error for "Philip Arthitaous," the immediate successor of Alexander, or for "Ptolemy I"; should take it from Babylon to Aegypt and hury it at Memphis; and that he took the body to Memphis, but, by order of the chief priest of the temple there, immediately took it to Alexandria. There, according to Diodorus Sieulus (L.e.) Ptolemy devised a sacred precinct (r(sever), which in size and construction was worthy of Alexander's glery. When Augustus was in Alexandria, he saw the body, having, peneirali (Suetonius, Augustus 18); and "he not only saw the body, but touched it, whereupon, it is said, a piece of nose broke off" (Dio Cassius 51, 16).

more, Perdiccas lost his life, having been slain by his soldiers at the time when Ptolemy attacked him and hemmed him up in a desert island.1 So Perdiceas was killed, having been transfixed by his soldiers' sarissae 2 when they attacked him; but the kings who were with him, both Aridaeus 3 and the children of Alexander, and also Rhoxane, Alexander's wife, departed for Macedonia; and the body of Alexander was carried off by Ptolemy and given sepulture in Alexandria, where it still now lies-not. however, in the same sarcophagus as before, for the present one is made of glass,4 whereas the one wherein Ptolemy laid it was made of gold. The latter was plundered by the Ptolemy nicknamed "Cocces" and "Pareisactus," who came over from Syria but was immediately? expelled, so that his plunder proved unprofitable to him.

9. In the Great Harbour at the entrance, on the right hand, are the island and the tower Pharos, and on the other hand are the reefs and also the

where he was unsuccessful; and then later near Memphis, where his soldiers mutinied (Diodorus Siculus 18. 33 ff.).

Long Macedonian pikes.

Also spolled Arrhidaeus.

 Or, possibly, "alabaster." Op. the so-called "Sarcophagus of Alexander" found at Sidon and now at the Ottoman Museum in Constantinople.

* i.e. "scarlot." Alterally, "Pareisactus" means "one who has been brought in (i.e. upon the throne) privily," i.e. "usurper." But scholars take the word to mean "Hegitimate" (i.e. "Protender") in this passage and identify this Ptolemy With Ptolemy XI (so Tozer, Selections, p. 350).

7 This must mean "immediately" after his violation of the tenth, for Ptolemy XI mounted the throne in 80 n.c. and, so far as is known, he was never expelled till 63 n.c.

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Λοχιάς ἄκρα, έχουσα βασίλειον. εἰσπλεύσαντι δ' έν άριστερά έστι συνεχή τοῦς ἐν τῆ Λοχιάδι τὰ ἐνδοτέρω βασίλεια, πολλάς καὶ ποικίλας έχουτα διαίτας καὶ άλση τούτοις δ' ύπόκειται ό τε δρυκτός λιμήν και κρυπτός,1 ίδιος τών βασιλέων, και ή Αντίρροδος, νησίον προκείμενου τοῦ δρυκτοῦ λιμένος, βασίλειον άμα καὶ λιμένιον έχου εκάλεσαν δ' ούτως, ώς άν τη 'Ρόδω ενάμελλου. ὑπέρκειται δὲ τούτου τὸ θέατρου είτα τὸ Ποσείδιου, ἀγκών τις ἀπὸ τοῦ Ἐμπορίου καλουμένου προπεπτωκώς, έχων ίερον Ποσειδώνος- ώ προσθείς χώμα 'Αντώνιος έτι μάλλον προυεύον είς μέσου του λιμένα ἐπὶ τῷ ἄκρφ κατεσκεύασε δίαιταν βασιλικήν, ήν Τιμώνιον προσηγόρευσε. τούτο δ' έπραξε το τελευταΐον, ήνίκα προλειφθείς ύπο των φίλων άπηρεν είς 'Αλεξάνδρειαν μετά την έν Ακτίφ κακοπραγίαν, Τιμώνειου 2 αυτώ κρίνας του λοιπου βίου, ου διάξειν έμελλευ έρημος τῶν τοσούτων φίλων. εἶτα τὸ Καισάριον καὶ τὸ Εμπόριον και αία ἀποστάσεις και μετά ταθτα τὰ νεώρια μέχρι τοῦ ἐπτασταδίου. ταῦτα μὲν τὰ περί τὸν μέγαν λιμένα.

10. Έξης δ' Εὐνόστου λιμήν μετά τὸ έπτα-C 795 στάδιον· καὶ ὑπὸρ τούτου ὁ ὁρυκτός, δν καὶ Κιβωτόν καλούσιν, έχων καὶ αὐτός νεώρια. ἐνδοτέρω δὲ τούτου διῶρυξ πλωτή μέχρι τῆς λίμνης

¹ appereds, the reading of all MSS., Jones restores, for executor, Corais and the later editors.

Toudresor E, Toudres other MSS. al, Cornis insorts ; sal donocráceis B.

Op. § 6 above.

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promontory Lochias, with a royal palace upon it; and on sailing into the harbour one comes, on the left, to the inner royal palaces, which are continuous with those on Lochias and have groves and numerous lodges painted in various colours. Below these lies the harbour that was dug by the hand of man and is hidden from view,1 the private property of the kings, as also Antirrhodos, an isle lying off the artificial harbour, which has both a royal palace and a small harbour. They so called it as being a rival of Rhodes. Above the artificial harbour lies the theatre; then the Poscidium—an elbow, as it were, projecting from the Emporium, as it is called, and containing a temple of Poscidon. To this elbow of land Antony added a mole projecting still farther, into the middle of a harbour, and on the extremity of it built a royal lodge which he called Timonium. This was his last act, when, forsaken by his friends, he sailed away to Alexandria after his misfortune at Actium,2 having chosen to live the life of a Timon3 the rest of his days, which he intended to spend in solitude from all those friends.4 Then one comes to the Caesarium and the Emporium and the warehouses; and after these to the ship-houses, which extend as far as the Heptastadium. So much for the Great Harbour and its surroundings.

10. Next, after the Heptastadium, one comes to the Harbour of Eunostus, and, above this, to the artificial harbour, which is also called Cibotus; it too has ship-houses. Farther in there is a navigable

· He slew himself in 30 s.c.

^{*} Timon the Athenian was nicknamed the "Misanthrope." Antony, like Timon, felt that he himself also had been wronged and treated with ingratizade, and therefore hated all mon (Plutarch, Asiony 69).

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τεταμένη της Μαρεώτιδος.1 έξω μέν οὖν τῆς διώρυγος μικρου έτι λείπεται της πόλεως είθ' ή Νεκρόπολις 2 το προάστειου, εν το κήποί τε πολλοί και ταφαί και καταγωγαί πρός τάς ταριχείας των νεκρών ἐπιτήδειαι. ἐντὸς δὲ τῆς διώρυγος τό τε Σαράπιον καὶ ἄλλα τεμένη άρχαῖα έκλελειμμένα πως διά την τών νέων 3 κατασκευήν των εν Νικοπόλει και γαρ αμφιθέατρον και στάδιον και οί πεντετηρικοί άγώνες έκει συντελουνται τὰ δὲ παλαιὰ ώλιγώρηται. συλλήβδην δ' είπειν ή πόλις μεστή έστιν αναθημάτων και ίερων κάλλιστον δε το γυμνάσιον, μείζους ή σταδιαίας έχου τὰς στούς. ἐν μέσο δὲ τό τε δ δικαστήριου καὶ τὰ ἄλση, ἔστι δὲ καὶ Πάνειου, ύψος τι χειροποίητον στροβιλοειδές έμφερές όχθω πετρώδει δια κοχλίου την ανάβασιν έχου από δε της κορυφής έστιν απιδείν όλην την πόλιν. ύποκειμένην αὐτῷ πανταχόθεν. ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς Νεκροπόλεως ή έπι τὸ μήκος πλατεία διατείνει παρά τὸ γυμνάσιον μέχρι τῆς πύλης τῆς Κανωβικῆς εἰθ' Ιππόδρομος καλούμενός έστι καὶ αἰ παρακείμεναι δ άλλαι μέχρι της διώρυγος της Κανωβικής. διά

* Emer read was after Nexponence.

vier, Groskurd, for respect, rear other MSS.

Of the city, not the gymnasium.

Mapeur Bas E, Mapaidrides other MSS.

^{*} στοάτ. ἐν μόσψ δὲ τὰ τὰ, Cornis, for στοὰτ ἐν μάσψ. τὸ δέ. D (!) and the editors before Kramer add al before δλλαι. Kramer conj. that καταιέαι, or some word of similar meaning, has fallen out after δλλαι. Moineke conj. καλικί ("wooden dwellings"), Vogel δλαι ("salt-works"), for δλλαι.

Op. the Nicopolis near Actium, and its sucred precinct, and its quinquennial games (7.7. 6 and footnote 1).

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canal, which extends to Lake Marcotis. Now outside the canal there is still left only a small part of the city; and then one comes to the suburb Necropolis, in which are many gardens and graves and haltingplaces fitted up for the embalming of corpses, and, inside the canal, both to the Sarapium and to other sacred precincts of ancient times, which are now almost abandoned on account of the construction of the new buildings at Nicopolis; for instance, there are an amphitheatre and a stadium at Nicopolis, and the quinquennial games are celebrated there; 1 but the ancient buildings have fallen into neglect. In short, the city is full of public and sacred structures; but the most beautiful is the Gymnasium, which has porticoes more than a stadium in length. And in the middle 2 are both the court of justice and the groves. Here, too, is the Pancium,3 a "height," as it were, which was made by the hand of man; it has the shape of a fir-cone, resembles a rocky hill, and is ascended by a spiral road; and from the summit one can see the whole of the city lying below it on all sides. The broad street that runs lengthwise extends from Necropolis past the Gymnasium to the Canobic Gate; and then one comes to the Hippodrome, as it is called, and to the other (streets?) 5 that lie parallel, extending as far as the Canobic

Sanctuary of Pan.

⁴ See § 8 above.
8 Both the text and the interpretation are doubtful. 48ef ("streets") is not found in the MSS.; but, although it is the natural word to supply, just as 88f small be supplied above with wherein ("broad"), it hardly suits the context, as Kramer, who conjectures zerosefus ("settlements"), insists. Vogel (see critical note) simply emends 6AAss ("other") to 6Ass ("althouries").

δὲ τοῦ Ἱπποδρόμου διελθόντι ἡ Νικόπολίς ἐστιν, ἔχουσα κατοικίαν ἐπὶ θαλάττη πόλεως οὐκ ἐλάττω· τριάκοντα δὲ ἐσίμησεν ὁ Σεβαστὸς Καΐσαρ τὸν τόπον, δτι ἐνταύθα ἐνίκα τῆ μάχη τοὺς ἐπεξιόντας ἐπ΄ αὐτὸν μετὰ ᾿Αντωνίου· καὶ λαβῶν ἐξ ἐφόδου τὴν πόλιν ἡνιέγκασε τὸν μὲν ᾿Αντώνιον ἐαυτὸν διαχειρίσασθαι, τὴν δὲ Κλεοπάτραν ζῶσαν ἀλθεῦν εἰς τὴν ἐξουσίαν· μικρὸν δ΄ ὕστερον κὰκείνη ἐαυτὴν ἐν τῆ φρουρὰ διεχειρίσατο λάθρα δήγματι ἀσπίδος ἡ φαρμάκῳ ἐπιχρίστω (λέγεται γὰρ ἀμφοτέρως), καὶ συνέβη καταλυθήναι τὴν τῶν Λαγιδῶν ἀρχήν, πολλὰ συμμείνασαν ἔτη.

11. Πτολεμαίος γάρ ὁ Λάγου διεδέξατο ᾿Λλέξανδρον, ἐκεῖνον δὲ ὁ Φιλάδελφος, τοῦτον δὲ ὁ
Εὐεργέτης, εἰθ' ὁ Φιλοπάτωρ ὁ τῆς ᾿Λγαθοκλείας,
εἰθ' ὁ Ἐπιφανής, εἰθ' ὁ Φιλομήτωρ, παῖς παρὰ
πατρὸς ἀεὶ διαδεχόμενος τοῦτον δὶ ἀδελφὸς διεδέξατο ὁ δεύτερος Εὐεργέτης, δν καὶ Φύσκωνα
προσαγορεύουσι, τοῦτον δ' ὁ Λάθουρος ἐπικληθεὶς
Πτολεμαΐος κοῦτος ἔτὶ ἐκληθεὶς

C 796 Πτολεμαίος, τούτον δ' ὁ Αὐλητής ὁ καθ' ήμας, ὅσπερ ἢν τῆς Κλεοπάτρας πατήρ. ἄπαντες μὲν οὖν οἱ μετὰ τὸν τρίτον Πτολεμαίον ὑπὸ τρυψῆς διεφθαρμένοι χείρον ἐπολιτεύσαντο, χείριστα δ' ὁ τέταρτος καὶ ἔβδομος καὶ ὁ ὕστατος, ὁ Λὐλητής ὁς χωρὶς τῆς ἄλλης ἀσελγείας χοραυλεῦν ¹ ἤσκησε,

¹ xepundelle E, xepundane other MSS.

Josephus (Bell. Jud. 4. 11. 5) says "twenty," Cp. Plutarch, Antony 86.

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canal. Having passed through the Hippodrome, one comes to Nicopolis, which has a settlement on the sea no smaller than a city. It is thirty 'stadia distant from Alexandria. Augustus Caesar honoured this place because it was here that he conquered in battle those who came out against him with Antony; and when he had taken the city at the first onset, he forced Antony to put himself to death and Cleopatra to come into his power alive; but a little later she too put herself to death secretly, while in prison, by the bite of an asp or (for two accounts are given) by applying a poisonous ointment; and the result was that the empire of the sons of Lagus, which had endured for many years, was dissolved.

11. For Ptolemy the son of Lagus succeeded Alexander; and he in turn was succeeded by Philadelphus, and he by Euergetes, and then he by Philopator the son of Agathoeleia, and then he by Epiphanes, and then he by Philometer, a son always succeeding a father; but Philometer was succeeded by a brother, the second Euergetes, who is also called Physcon, and he by the Ptolemy nicknamed Lathurus, and he by Auletes of our own time, who was the father of Cleopatra. Now all the kings after the third Ptolemy, being corrupted by luxurious living, have administered the affairs of government badly, but worst of all the fourth, seventh, and the last, Auletes, who, apart from his general licentiousness, practised the accompaniment of choruses with

^{*} i.e. Ptolomy VII. Strabo here skips Ptolemy IX (Alexander I) and Ptolemy X (Alexander II), who apparently had no place in the official list of legitimate kings (ep. Letronne calition, note ad loc.).

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καὶ ἐπ' αὐτῷ γε¹ ἐσεμνύνετο² τοσοῦτον, ὥστ' οὐκ ώκνει συντελείν άγωνας έν τοις βασιλείοις, είς οθς παρήει διαμιλλησόμενος τοῖς ἀνταγωνισταῖς. τούτον μέν ούν οι 'Αλεξανδρείς έξέβαλον, τριών δ΄ αὐτῷ θυγατέρων οὐσῶν, ὧν μία γνησία ή πρεσβυτάτη, ταύτην ανέδειξαν βασίλισσαν οί υίοι δ' αύτοῦ δύο νήπιοι τῆς τότε χρείας ἐξέπιπτον τελέως. τῆ δὲ κατασταθείση μετεπέμψαντο ἄνδρα έκ τῆς Συρίας Κυβιοσάκτην τινά, προσποιησάμενον του γένους είναι των Συριακών βασιλέων τούτον μέν ούν όλίγων ήμερων άπεστραγγάλισεν ή βασίλισσα, οὐ φέρουσα τὸ βάναυσον καὶ τὸ άνελεύθερον. ήκε δ' άντ' έκείνου προσποιησάμενος καὶ αὐτὸς είναι Μιθριδάτου υίὸς τοῦ Εὐπάτορος 'Αρχέλαος, δς ην μεν 'Αρχελάου υίδς τοθ πρός Σύλλαν διαπολεμήσαντος καὶ μετά ταύτα τιμηθέντος ύπὸ 'Ρωμαίων, πάππος δὲ τοῦ βασιλεύσαντος Καππαδόκων υστάτου καθ' ήμας, ίερεὺς δὲ τῶν ἐν Πόντω Κομάνων. Γαβινίφ δὲ τότε συνδιέτριψεν ώς συστρατεύσων έπὶ Παρθυαίους, λαθών δὲ τοῦτον κομίζεται διά τινων είς την βασίλισσαν καὶ ἀναδείκνυται βασιλεύς. èν τούτω τὸν Αὐλητὴν ἀφικόμενον εἰς Ῥώμην δεξάμενος Πομπήιος Μάγνος συνίστησι τῆ συγ-

Hence "Auletes" ("Flute-player").

¹ ye, Corais, for 84. 1 Cz have eri before resolver. S Kußerderne C.

According to Dio Cassins (39, 13), this was Berenied (IV). She reigned with her mother Cleopatra Tryphaena for one year (58-57 B.C.) and then alone for one year.

Later, Ptolemy XII and XIII.

A nickname, "Salt-fish Dealer." Dio Casadus (39. 67) says, "a certain Seleucus."

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the flute,1 and upon this he prided himself so much that he would not hesitate to celebrate contests in the royal palace, and at these contests would come forward to vie with the opposing contestants. He, however, was banished by the Alexandrians; and since he had three daughters, of whom one, the eldest, was legitimate, they proclaimed her queen; but his two sons, who were infants, were completely excluded from service at the time. When she had been established on the throne, they sent after a husband for her from Syria, a certain Cybiosactes,4 who had pretended that he belonged to the family of the Syrian kings. Now the queen had this man strangled to death within a few days, being unable to bear his coarseness and vulgarity; but in his place came a man who likewise had pretended that he was a son of Mithridates Eupator -I mean Archelaus, who was son of the Archelaus who carried on war against Sulla and afterwards was honoured by the Romans, and was grandfather of the man who was last to reign as king over the Cappadocians in our time, and was priest of Comana in Pontus.6 At that time he had been tarrying with Gabinius,7 in the hope of joining with him on an expedition against the Parthians, but without the knowledge of Gabinius he was brought by certain agents to the queen and proclaimed king. In the meantime Pompey the Great, having received Auletes, who had arrived at Rome, recommended

s 12, 1, 2,

On this Archelaüs, see 12. 3. 34.

Proconsul of Syria, 57 n.c.

[·] He reigned only six months, being slain in battle by Gabinius (12, 3, 34).

κλήτω και διαπράττεται κάθοδον μέν τούτω, τῶν δὲ πρέσβεων τῶν πλείστων, ἐκατὸν ὄντων, ὅλεθρον των καταπρεσβευσάντων αύτου τούτων δ' ην καί Δίων ό 'Ακαδημαϊκός, άρχιπρεσβευτής γεγονώς. καταγθείς οὐν ὑπὸ Γαβινίου Πτολεμαΐος τόν τε Αργέλαον άναιρεί και την θυγατέρα, χρόνον δ' ού πολύν τη βασιλεία προσθείς τελευτά νόσω, καταλιπών δύο μέν υίεις, δύο δὲ θυγατέρας, πρεσ-Βυτάτην δε Κλεοπάτραν. οἱ μεν οῦν 'Αλεξανδρεῖς ἀπέδειξαν βασιλέας τόν τε πρεσβύτερον τών παίδων καὶ τὴν Κλεοπάτραν, οἱ δὲ συνόντες τῶ παιδί καταστασιάσαντες εξέβαλον την Κλεοπάτραν, καὶ ἀπήρε μετὰ τής άδελφής εἰς τὴν Συρίαν. ἐν τούτω Πομπήιος Μάγνος ήκε φεύγων έκ Παλαιφαρσάλου πρός το Πηλούσιον και το Κάσιον 1 δρος. τοῦτον μέν οὖν δολοφονοῦσιν οἰ μετὰ τοῦ βασιλέως, ἐπελθὼν δὲ Καΐσαρ τόν τε μειρακίσκου διαφθείρει καὶ καθίστησι τῆς Λίγύπτου βασίλισσαν την Κλεοπάτραν, μεταπεμ-ψάμενος έκ της φυγής· συμβασιλεύειν δ' ἀπέδειξα τον λοιπον άδελφον αυτή, νέον παυτελώς όντα. C 797 μετά δὲ τὴν Καίσαρος τελευτὴν καὶ τὰ ἐν Φιλίπποις διαβάς 'Αντώνιος είς την 'Ασίαν έξετίμησεν ἐπὶ πλέον την Κλεοπάτραν, ώστε καὶ γυναϊκα έκρινε και έτεκνοποιήσατο έξ αυτής, τόν τε Ακτιακόν πόλεμον συνήρατο έκείνη και συνέφυγε καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα ἐπακολουθήσας ὁ Σεβαστὸς Καίσαο αμφοτέρους κατέλυσε και την Αίγυπτον

Kdousy Dhz, sdoousy other MSS.

έπαυσε παροινουμένην.

So Dio Cassus (39, 13).

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him to the Senate and effected, not only his restoration, but also the death of most of ambassadors, one hundred in number, who had undertaken the embassy against him,1 and among these was Dion the academic philosopher, who had been made chief ambassador. Accordingly, being restored by Gabinius, Ptolemy slew both Archelaus and his own daughter. But before he had added much time to his reign, he died of disease, leaving behind two sons and also two daughters, the eldest daughter being Cleopatra.2 Now the Alexandrians proclaimed as sovereigns both the elder of the boys and Cleopatra; but the associates of the boy caused an uprising and banished Cleopatra, and she set sail with her sister to Syria. In the meantime Pompey the Great had come in flight from Palaepharsalus to Pelusium and Mt. Casius. Now Pompey was treacherously slain by the king's party, but when Caesar arrived he put the lad to death, and, having summoned Cleopatra from exile, established her as queen of Aegypt; and he appointed her remaining brother to reign as king with her, although he was exceedingly young. After the death of Caesar and the battle of Philippi,3 Antony crossed over to Asia and held Cleopatra in such extraordinary honour that he chose her as wife and had children by her; and he undertook the battle at Action with her and fled with her; and after this Augustus Caesar pursued them, destroyed both, and put an end to Aegypt's being ruled with dranken violence.

^{*} The famous Cleopatra.

 Βπαρχία δὲ νῦν ἐστι, φόρους μὲν τελοῦσα ἀξιολόγους, ὑπὸ σωφρόνων δὲ ἀνδρῶν διοικουμένη τών πεμπομένων έπάρχων άεί, ο μεν ούν πεμφθείς την του βασιλέως έχει τάξιν ύπ' αυτώ δ' έστιν ο δικαιοδότης, ο των πολλών κρίσεων κύριος άλλος δ' έστιν ο προσαγορει υμένος ιδιόλογος. Τος των άδεσπότων και των eig Καίσαρα πίπτειν οφειλόντων έξεταστής έστι παρέπονται δὲ τούτοις ἀπελεύθεροι Καίσαρος καὶ οίκονόμοι, μείζω καὶ ἐλάττω πεπιστευμένοι πρώγματα. έστι δὲ καὶ στρατιωτικοῦ τρία τάγματα, ών τὸ ἐν κατὰ τὴν πόλιν ΐδρυται, τάλλα δ' ἐν τή χώρα. χωρίς δέ τούτων έννέα μέν είσι σπείραι Τρ χωρό χωρός μέν ἐν τἢ πόλει, τρεῖς δ' ἐπὶ τῶν ὅρον τῆς Λίθιοπίας ἐν Συήνη, φρουρὰ τοῖς τόποις, τρεῖς δὲ κατὰ τὴν ἄλλην χώραν. εἰσὶ δὲ καὶ ἰππαρχίαι τρεῖς ὁμοίως διατεταγμέναι κατά τους έπικαιρίους τόπους. τῶν δ' ἐπιχωρίων άρχόντων κατά πόλιν μέν ο τε έξηγητής έστι, πορφύραν άμπεχόμενος καὶ έχων πατρίους τιμάς και επιμέλειαν τών τη πόλει χρησίμων, και ό ύπομνηματογράφος καὶ ὁ ἀρχιδικαστής, τέταρτος δε ο νυκτερινός στρατηγός. ήσαν μεν ούν καλ έπλ των βασιλέων αυται αι άρχαι, κακώς δὲ πολιτευομένων των βασιλέων ήφανίζετο και ή της πόλεως εύκαιρία διὰ την άνομίαν. ὁ γοῦν Πολύβιος γεγονώς έν τῆ πόλει βδελύττεται την

¹ löidhəyəs, Corais, for ropus hoyer s, Thur hoyes other MSS.

a.g. Strabo's friend Aelius Gallus (2. 5. 12).
 Juri dicendo praefectus.

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12. Egypt is now a Province; and it not only pays considerable tribute, but also is governed by prudent men 1-the praefects who are sent there from time to time. Now he who is sent has the rank of the king; and subordinate to him is the administrator of justice,2 who has supreme authority over most of the law-suits; and another is the official called Idiologus,3 who inquires into all properties that are without owners and that ought to fall to Caesar; and these are attended by freedmen of Caesar, as also by stewards, who are entrusted with affairs of more or less importance. There are also three legions of soldiers, one of which is stationed in the city and the others in the country ; and apart from these there are nine Roman cohorts, three in the city, three on the borders of Aethiopia in Syene, as a guard for that region, and three in the rest of the country. And there are also three bodies of cavalry, which likewise are assigned to the various critical points. Of the native officials in the city, one is the Interpreter,4 who is clad in purple, has hereditary prerogatives, and has charge of the interests of the city; and another the Recorder; 5 and another the Chief Judge; and the fourth the Night Commander.7 Now these officers existed also in the time of the kings, but, since the kings were carrying on a had government, the prosperity of the city was also vanishing on account of the prevailing lawlessness. At any rate, Polybius, who had visited the city, is disgusted with the state of

A kind of "Special Agent," or "Procurator," of

Interpres.
Judicum praefectus.

Scribs publicus.
 Practor nocturnus.

τότε κατάστασιν, καί φησι τρία γένη την πόλιν οίκειν, τό τε Λίγύπτιον και 1 έπιχώριον φύλον. όξυ και απολιτικόν. και το μισθοφορικόν, βαρυ καὶ 3 πολύ καὶ ἀνάγωγον ἐξ ἔθους γὰρ παλαιοῦ Εένους έτρεφον τους τὰ ὅπλα ἔχοντας, ἄρχειν μάλλου ή άρχεσθαι δεδιδαγμένους διά την τών βασιλέων οὐδένειαν τρίτον δ' ήν γένος τὸ τῶν Αλεξανδρέων, οὐδ' αὐτὸ εὐκρινῶς πολιτικον διὰ τάς αυτάς αίτίας, κρείττου δ' ἐκείνων όμως καὶ γαρ εί μιγάδες, "Ελληνες όμως ανέκαθεν ήσαν και εμέμνηντο τοῦ κοινοῦ τῶν Ελλήνων εθους. ήφανισμένου δὲ καὶ τούτου τοῦ πλήθους, μάλιστα Ο 798 ύπὸ τοῦ Εὐεργέτου τοῦ Φύσκωνος, καθ' δυ ήκεν είς την 'Αλεξάνδρειαν ό Πολύβιος (καταστασιαζόμενος γάρ ο Φύσκων πλεονάκις 4 τοις στρατιώταις έφίει τὰ πλήθη καὶ διέφθειρε), τοιούτων δή, φησίν, όντων τών εν τη πόλει, λοιπόν ην τω όντι τὸ τοῦ ποιητοῦ.

Αίγυπτόνδ' lέναι δολιχὴν όδὸν άργαλέην τε.

13. Τοιαῦτα δ' ἡν, εἰ μὴ ε χείρω, καὶ τὰ τῶν ὕστερον βασιλέων. 'Ρωμαῖοι δ' εἰς δύναμιν, ὡς εἰπεῖν, ἐπηνώρθωσαν τὰ πολλά, τὴν μὲν πόλιν διατάξαντες ὡς εἰπον, κατὰ δὲ τὴν χώραν

Broupt F, the MSS, read we before drixapres.

^{*} Before πελιτικόν (MSS.) Tyrwhitt conj. οδ; Kramer conj. απολιτικόν; C. Müller δχλητικόν.

The words βαρὸ καί are found only in C.
 πολλάκις που.
 Ε has καί after μφ.
 Εποερτ Εκ, the MSS. have καί before "Ρωμαϊοι,

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things then existing; and he says that three classes inhabited the city: first, the Aegyptian or native stock of people, who were quick-tempered and not1 inclined to civic life; and, secondly, the mercenary class, who were severe and numerous and intractable (for by an ancient custom they would maintain foreign men-at-arms, who had been trained to rule rather than to be ruled, on account of the worthlessness of the kings); and, third, the tribe of the Alexandrians, who also were not distinctly inclined to civil life, and for the same reasons, but still they were better than those others,2 for even though they were a mixed people, still they were Greeks by origin and mindful of the customs common to the Greeks. But after this mass of people had also been blotted out, chiefly by Euergetes Physcon, in whose time Polybius went to Alexandria (for, being opposed by factions, Physicon more often sent the masses against the soldiers and thus caused their destruction)-such being the state of affairs in the city, Polybius says, in very truth there remained for one, in the words of the poet, merely

" to go to Aegypt, a long and painful journey." 2

13. Such, then, if not worse, was the state of affairs under the later kings also; but the Romans have, to the best of their ability, I might say, set most things right, having organised the city as I have said, and having appointed throughout the

The MSS, omit the negative ("not"), without which one would naturally interpret & as meaning "acute" rather than "quick-tempered."
1.6. the first class.

Odyssey 4, 483.

^{4 § 12} above.

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έπιστρατήγους τινάς καὶ νομάρχας καὶ ἐθνάρχας καλουμένους αποδείξαντες, πραγμάτων ου μεγάλων έπιστατείν ήξιωμένους. της δ' εὐκαιρίας τής κατά τὴν πόλιν τὸ μέγιστόν ἐστιν, ὅτι τῆς Αλγύπτου πάσης μόνος έστλν ούτος ο τόπος προς αμφω πεφυκώς εδ, τά τε έκ θαλάττης δια τὸ ευλίμενου, και τὰ ἐκ τῆς χώρας, ὅτι πάντα ευμαρώς ὁ ποταμὸς πορθμεύει συνάγει τε els τοιούτου χωρίου, όπερ μέγιστου έμπόριου τής οικουμένης έστί.

Τής μέν οὖν πόλεως ταύτας ἄν τις λέγοι τὰς άρετάς της Αλγύπτου δὲ τὰς προσόδους 1 ἔν τινι λόγφ Κικέρων φράζει, φήσας κατ' ενιαυτου τῷ τῆς Κλεοπάτρας πατρί τῷ Αὐλητῆ προσφέρεσθαι φόρον ταλάντων μυρίων δισχιλίων πεντακοσίων. οπου ουν ο κάκιστα και ραθυμότατα την βασιλείαν διοικών τοσαύτα προσωδεύετο, τί χρη νομίσαι τὰ νῦν, διὰ τοσαύτης ἐπιμελείας οἰκονομούμενα καὶ τῶν Ἰνδικῶν έμποριών και τών Τρωγλοδυτικών ἐπηυξημένων έπὶ τοσούτον; πρότερον μέν γε οὐδ' είκοσι πλοΐα έθάρρει τὸν ᾿Αράβιον κόλπον διαπερᾶν, ώστε έξω των στενών υπερκύπτειν, νύν δε και στόλοι μεγάλοι στέλλονται μέχρι τής 'Ινδικής καὶ τῶν άκρων των Αίθιοπικών, έξ ων ο πολυτιμότατος

¹ Except E, the MSS. have as after *posésous.

¹ Strabo seems not to have known that the office of Epistrategus was in existence as far back as 181 n.c. (Victor Martin, Les Epistratiges, pp. 11, 173, Geneva, 1911). But in the time of the Ptolemies only the Thebals had an Epistrategus (i.c. p. 22), and, as the title indicates, he was a Military Governor. The several Epistrategi appointed by the

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country officials called Epistrategi 1 and Nomarchs 2 and Ethnarchs,3 who were thought worthy to superintend affairs of no great importance. Among the happy advantages of the city, the greatest is the fact that this is the only place in all Acgypt which is by nature well situated with reference to both things-both to commerce by sea, on account of the good harbours, and to commerce by land, because the river easily conveys and brings together everything into a place so situated—the greatest emporium in the inhabited world.

Now one might call these the excellent attributes of the city; and as for the revenues of Aegypt, Cicero tells about them in a certain speech,4 saying that a tribute of twelve thousand five hundred talents 5 was paid annually to Auletes, the father of Cleopatra. If, then, the man who administered the kingdom in the worst and most careless way obtained so large a revenue, what should one think of the present revenues, which are managed with so much diligence, and when the commerce with the Indians and the Troglodytes has been increased to so great an extent? In earlier times, at least, not so many as twenty vessels would dare to traverse the Arabian Gulf far enough to get a peep outside the straits, but at the present time even large fleets are despatched as far as India and the extremities of Aethiopia, from which the most valuable cargoes

Romans, however, were given only administrative power, Romans, nowort,
being wholly deprived of military power (i.e. p. 57).

"Rulers of Nones" (on the "Nones," see 17. 1. 3).

Rulers of Tribes.

No longer extant.

Cp. Diodorus Siculus (17, 52), who says six thousand talents.

κομίζεται φόρτος εἰς τὴν Λίγυπτον, κἀντεῦθεν πάλιν εἰς τοὺς ἄλλους ἐκπέμπεται τόπους. ὅστε τὰ τέλη διπλείσια συνάγεται, τὰ μὲν εἰσαγωγικό, τὰ δὲ ἐξαγωγικά τῶν δὲ βαρυτίμων βαρέα καὶ τὰ τέλη. καὶ γὰρ δὴ καὶ μονοπωλίας ἔχει· μόνη γὰρ ἡ 'Αλεξάνδρεια τῶν τοιούτων ὡς ἐπὶ τὸ πολὸ καὶ ὑποδοχεῖον ἐστι καὶ χορηγεὶ τοῖς ἐκτός. ἐτι δὲ μᾶλλον κατιδεῖν ἔστι τὴν εὐφυίαν ταύτην περιοδεύοντι τὴν χώραν, καὶ πρῶτον τὴν παραλίαν ἀρξαμένην ἀπὸ τοῦ Καταβαθμοῦ-μέχρι δεῦρο γῶρ ἐστιν ἡ Λίγυπτος, ἡ δὶ ἐξῆς ἐστι Κυρηναία καὶ οἱ περιοικοῦντες βάρβαροι Μαρμαρίδαι.

14. 'Από μεν οῦν Καταβαθμοῦ εἰς Παραιτόνιον εὐθυπλοοῦντι σταδίων ἐστὶν ἐννακοσίων ὁ δρόμος. πόλις δ' ἐστὶ καὶ λιμὴν μέγας τετταράκοντά που C 799 σταδίων καλοῦσι δ' οι μὲν Παραιτόνιον τὴν πόλιν, οὶ δ' Αμμωνίαν. μεταξύ δὲ ἢτε Λίγυπτίων κάμη καὶ ἡ Λίνησίσφυρα ακρα, καὶ Τυνδάρειοι σκόπελοι, νησίδια τέτταρα ἔχοντα λιμένα εἰθ' ἐξῆς ἄκρα Δρέπανον καὶ νήσος Λίνησίππεια ακρανον καὶ νήσος Λίνησίππεια ακρανον καὶ κόμη 'Απις, ἀφ' ἡς εἰς μὲν Παραιτόνιον στάδιοι ἐκατόν, εἰς δὲ 'Αμμωνος οδὸς ἡμερῶν πέντε. ἀπὰ δὲ τοῦ Παραιτονίου εἰς 'Αλεξάνδρειαν' χίλιοί που καὶ τριακόσιοι στάδιοι. μεταξύ δὲ πρώτον μὲν ἄρρα λευκόγειος, Λευκή ἀκτη καλουμένη, ἔπειτα Φοινικοῦς λιμὴν

* trioriveia DEFhi, trioloxeia Coo, trioloxia r, trioriveia m, trioriveia p, triorivei

Παραιτόμων Β, Παραιτόνιον F, Παραιτόνιον πισεκ.
 Αλτησίσφυρα, Xylander and later editors, following Ptolemagns (4, 5), for γησίσμα Ε, γησίσφόρα other MSS.

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are brought to Aegypt, and thence sent forth again to the other regions; so that double duties are collected, on both imports and exports; and on goods that cost heavily the duty is also heavy. And in fact the country has monopolies also; for Alexandria alone is not only the receptacle of goods of this kind, for the most part, but also the source of supply to the outside world. And, further, one can perceive more clearly these natural advantages if one travels round the country, visiting first of all the part of the coast which begins at Catabathmus—for Aegypt extends as far as that place, though the country next thereafter belongs to the Cyrenacans and to the neighbouring barbarians, the Marmaridae.

14. Now the run from Catabathmus to Paraetonium, if one sails in a straight course, is nine hundred stadia. It is a city and large harbour of about forty stadia.1 Some call the city Paraetonium, but others In the interval, one comes to the Ammonia, village of the Aegyptians, to the promontory Aenesisphyra, and to the Tyndareian Rocks, which latter are four small islands with a harbour; then next to Drepanum, a promontory, and to Aenesippeia, an island with a harbour, and to Apis, a village, from which the distance to Paractonium is one hundred stadia, and to the temple of Ammon, a five days' journey. The distance from Paractonium to Alexandria is approximately one thousand three hundred stadia; and in the interval one comes first to a promontory of white earth, Leuce Acte, as it is called, and then to Phoenicus, a harbour, and to

I i.e. in circuit.

⁴ els 'Alegdropeur, insorted by Mannert and the editors.

καὶ Πνιγεύς κώμη είτα νῆσος Πηδωνία λιμένα έχουσα, είτ' Αντίφραι μικρόν απωτέρω της θαλάττης. ἄπασα μεν ή χώρα αυτη ουκ ευοινος, πλείω δεχομένου τοῦ κεράμου θάλατταν ή οίνου. δυ δή καλούσι Λιβυκόν, ο δή και τῷ ζύθος 2 τὸ πολύ φῦλον χρήται τῶν 'Αλεξανδρέων' σκώπτονται δε μάλιστα αι 'Αντίφραι' είθ' ὁ Δέρρις ο λιμήν, καλούμενος ούτως διά την πλησίον πέτραν μέλαιναν δέρρει εοικυΐαν δνομάζουσι δε καί Ζεφύριον τον πλησίον τόπου, είτ' άλλος λιμήν Λεύκασπις καὶ ἄλλοι πλείους εἶτα Κυνὸς σῆμαείτα Ταπόσειρις, ούκ έπὶ θαλάττη, πανήγυριν δεχομένη μεγάλην. (και άλλη δ' έστι Ταπόσειρις έπέκεινα τῆς πόλεως ἰκανῶς.) αὐτῆς δὲ πλησίου πετρῶδες ἐπὶ τῆ θαλάττη χωρίου, καὶ αὐτὸ δεχόμενου πολλούς τοὺς ἀκμάζουτας ὁ ἄπασαν ώραν έτους είθ' ή Πλινθίνη εκαί Νικίου κώμη καὶ Χερρόνησος φρούριον, πλησίον ήδη τῆς Αλεξανδρείας καὶ τῆς Νεκροπόλεως ἐν ἐβδομήκοντα σταδίοις. ή δὲ Μαρεία? λίμνη παρατείνουσα μέχρι καὶ δεῦρο πλάτος μὲν ἔχει πλειόνων

* Tapeforeper Ehr, Taveforeper with o above w. D.

Πλινθηνή DEA, Πλιθήνη CF2.

Massia E. Masira F. Masia other MSS.

Zoboría Cmoz.

^{2 (604,} Xylander, for (674. 2 Aipper EF, Aiper other MSS.

^{*} anudierrar, the later editors, following conj. of Tyrwhitt, emend to supplement.

¹ f.e. apparently, as distinguished from the two other classes of people at Alexandria (see § 12 above), and not "most of the people at Alexandria," as others interpret it,
i.e. because of the bad wine.
i.e. a "hide,"

i.e. like that mentioned in § 16 below.

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Pnigeus, a village, and then to Pedonia, an island with a harbour, and then to Antiphrae, which is at only a little distance from the sea. The whole of this country is without good wine, since the wine-jars receive more sea-water than wine; and this they call "Libyan" wine, which, as also beer, is used by most of the tribe of Alexandrians; 1 but Antiphrae is ridiculed most.2 Then one comes to the harbour Derrhis, so called because of the black rock near by, which resembles a "derrhis"; s and the neighbouring place is also called Zephyrium.4 Then to another harbour, Leucaspis and several others; and then to Cynos-Sema; and then to Taposciris, not on the sea, which holds a great public festival. (There is also another Taposoiris on the other side of the city and quite far from it.) And near it 7 there is a rocky place on the sea where likewise crowds of people in the prime of life 8 assemble during every season of the year. And then one comes to Plinthine and to the village of Nicias, and to Cherronesus, a stronghold, where we are now near Alexandria and Necropolis, a distance of seventy stadia. Lake Marcia, 10 which extends even as far as this, 11 has a

"White-shield."

 "Bitch's Monument" (op. Vol. III, p. 377).
 The translator understands "it" to refer to the first
Taposeiris, and parenthesises the proceding statement accordingly, though "it" might refer to the second (cp. §§ 16 and 17 below), in which case the parenthesis should end with "season of the year."

 The later editors, except Müller-Dübner, very plausibly emend the text to read, "crowds of 'revellers'" (see

critical note, and cp. §§ 16 and 17 below). . i.e. continuing from the first Taposciris.

10 Also called "Marcotis" (§ 7 above).

15 i.e. Cherronesus.

ή πεντήκοντα καὶ έκατὸν σταδίων, μῆκος δ' έλαττόνων ή τριακοσίων. έχει δ' όκτὼ νήσους καὶ τὰ κύκλῳ πάντ' οἰκούμενα καλῶς· εὐοινία τέ ἐστι περὶ τοὺς τόπους, ὥστε καὶ διαχεῖσθαι πρὸς

παλαίωσιν τον Μαρεώτην 1 οίνον. 15. Φύεται δ' έν τοῖς Αλγυπτιακοῖς ἔλεσι καὶ

ταίς λίμναις ή τε βύθλος καὶ ὁ Αλγύπτιος κύαμος. έξ ου το κιβώριον, σχεδόν τι Ισοίψεις ράβδοι οσον δεκάποδες. άλλ' ή μεν βύβλος ψιλη ράβδος έστιν ἐπ' ἄκρφ χαίτην ἔχουσα, ὁ δὲ κύαμος κατά πολλά μέρη φύλλα και άνθη εκφέρει και καρπον δμοιον τῶ παρ' ἡμίν κυάμω, μεγέθει μόνον καὶ νεύσει διαλλάττοντα. οι ουν κυαμώνες ήδειαν όψιν παρέχουσε και τέρψιν τοίς ένευωγείσθαι βουλομένοις εὐωχούνται δ' ἐν σκάφαις θαλαμηγοίς, ενδύνοντες είς το πύκνωμα τών κυάμων καί Ο 800 σκιαζόμενοι τοῦς φύλλοις έστι γὰρ σφάδρα μεγάλα, ώστε και άντι ποτηρίων και τρυβλίων γρήσθαι· έγει γάρ τινα καλ κοιλότητα επιτηδείαν πρός τούτο και δή και ή Αλεξάνδρεια μεστή τούτων έστὶ κατά τὰ ἐργαστήρια, ώς σκεύεσι χρωμένων και οι άγροι μίαν τινά τῶν προσόδων καὶ ταύτην έχουσε την από των φύλλων. ό μέν δή κύαμος τοιούτος. ή δε βύβλος ένταθθα μεν οὐ πολλή φύεται (οὐ γὰρ ἀσκείται), ἐν δὲ τοῖς κάτω μέρεσι τοθ Δέλτα πολλή, ή μεν γείρων,

Mapaiderny CDEh, Mapedrey Finoxa.

¹ i.e. drawn off from the less, not merely once or twice, for early consumption, but time and again, with a view to agoing it into old wine of superior quality. The special name

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breadth of more than one hundred and fifty stadia and a length of less than three hundred. It contains eight islands; and all the shores round it are well inhabited; and the vintages in this region are so good that the Marcotic wine is racked off with a

view to ageing it.1

15. The byblus 2 grows in the Aegyptian marshes and lakes, as also the Aegyptian cyamus,3 from which comes the ciborium; 4 and they have stalks approximately equal in height, about ten feet. But whereas the byblus is a bare stock with a tuft on top, the eyamus produces leaves and flowers in many parts, and also a fruit like our cyamus, differing only in size and taste. Accordingly, the bean-fields afford a pleasing sight, and also enjoyment to those who wish to hold feasts therein. They hold feasts in cabin-boats, in which they enter the thick of the cyami and the shade of the leaves; for the leaves are so very large that they are used both for drinking-cups and for bowls, for these even have a kind of concavity suited to this purpose; and in fact Alexandria is full of these in the work-shops, where they are used as vessels; and the farms have also this as one source of their revenues-I mean the revenue from the leaves. Such, then, is the cyamus. As for the byblus, it does not grow in large quantities here (for it is not cultivated), but it grows in large quantities in the lower parts of the Delta, one kind

The Aegyptian papyrus,

[&]quot;Marcotic" indicates both the quality and the wide use of this wine.

[•] f.e. "Bean."
• f.e. the "seed-vessel," of which drinking-cups were made (on. Horsee, Carmina 2. 7. 22).

ή δέ βελτίων, ή Ιερατική κάνταθθα δέ τινες των τὰς προσόδους ἐπεκτείνειν βουλομένων μετήνεγκαν την Ίουδαϊκήν έντρέχειαν, ην έκεινοι παρεύρου έπὶ τοῦ φοίνικος (καὶ μάλιστα τοῦ καρυωτοῦ) καὶ τοῦ βαλσάμου· οὐ γὰρ ἐῶσι πολλαχοῦ φύεσθαι, τῆ δὲ σπάνει τιμὴν ἐπιτιθέντες τὴν πρόσοδον ούτως 2 αύξουσι, την δέ κοινην χρείαν διαλυ-

μαίνονται.

16. 'Εν δεξιά δὲ τῆς Κανωβικῆς πύλης ἐξιόντι ή διωρύξ έστιν ή έπὶ Κάνωβου συνάπτουσα τή λίωνη ταύτη δε και έπι Σχεδίαν ο πλούς έπι τον μέγαν ποταμόν και έπι τον Κάνωβον, πρώτον δὲ έπι την Έλευσινα· έστι δ' αύτη κατοικία πλησίου τής τε 'Αλεξανδρείας και τής Νικοπόλεως ἐπ' αὐτή τή Κανωβική διώρυγι κειμένη, διαίτας έχουσα και απόψεις τοις καπυρίζειν βουλομένοις καὶ ἀνδράσι καὶ γυναιξίν, ἀρχή τις Κανωβισμοῦ καὶ τῆς ἐκεῖ λαμυρίας. ἀπό δὲ τῆς Ἑλευσίνος προελθούσι μικρου έν δεξιά έστιν ή διώρυξ ανά-

* forws CDF hasz ; acres, Cornia,

For evrpexenv, Cobet conj. waterrpexenav, citing 7. 3. 7.

i.s. the kind "devoted to sacred purposes." The superior quality consisted of the middle and broadest (about 91 inches) strips of the plant; but though originally called Hieratica, it was later called Augusta in honour of Augustus (see Encyclopeedia Britannica, s. v. "Papyrus.")

Dr. F. Zucker (Philologus 70, N.F. 24, 1911, pp. 79-105) shows that the Romans established a government monopoly of Aegyptian papyrus; but his conclusion that under the Ptolemies there was no such monopoly and that Strabo's words, "some of those who wished to enhance the revenues, etc.," mean that "a number of large proprietors misusod their power, and through limiting the cultivation to their own 60

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being inferior, and the other superior, that is, the Hieratica. And here, too, certain of those who wished to enhance the revenues adopted the shrewd practice of the Judacans, which the latter had invented in the case of the palm tree (particularly the caryotic palm) and the balsam tree; for they do not allow the byblus to grow in many places, and because of the scarcity they set a higher price on it and thus increase the revenues, though they injure the common use of the plant.²

16. On the right of the Canobic Gate, as one goes out, one comes to the canal which is connected with the lake and leads to Canobus; ³ and it is by this cansl that one sails, not only to Schedia, that is, to the great river, but also to Canobus, though first to Eleusis. Eleusis is a settlement near both Alexandria and Nicopolis, is situated on the Canobic canal itself, and has lodging-places and commanding views for those who wish to engage in revelry, both men and women, and is a beginning, as it were, of the "Canobic" life ⁴ and the shamelessness there current. On proceeding a slight distance from Eleusis, and on the right, one

advantage and to the injury of the public produced a rise in the price of panyrus," is vigorously opposed by Professor J. P. Mahaffy (Hermathena, 16, 1911, pp. 237-41), who rightly understands Strabe to refer to "certain chancellors of the exchequer (Soverara) who had to meet a sudden domand by raising money as best they could." However, in a later article (Philologus 74, N. P. 28, pp. 184-85) kucker retracts his former interpretation of the passage, accepting Mahaffy's. Soe also Wileken, Pappraskands, Grundräge I. 1, pp. 236-56, 5.6. "connected" indirectly, by a short tributary south-

west of the city.

* i.e. the luxurious life at Canobus, which was proverbial.

γουσα έπὶ τὴν Σχεδίαν. διέχει δὲ τετράσχοινον της 'Αλεξανδρείας ή Σχεδία, κατοικία πόλεως, έν ή τὸ ναύσταθμον τῶν θαλαμηγῶν πλοίων, ἐψ΄ οίς οι ήγεμόνες είς την άνω χώραν άναπλέουσινένταθθα δέ και τὸ τελώνων τῶν ἄνωθεν καταγομένων και αναγομένων ου χάριν και σχεδία εξευκται έπι τῷ ποταμῷ, ἀφ' ἡς και τοῦνομα τῷ τόπω. μετὰ δὲ τὴν διώρυγα τὴν ἐπὶ Σχεδίαν άγουσαν ό έξης έπλ του Κάνωβου πλούς έστι παράλληλος τη παραλία τη άπο Φάρου μέχρι του Κανωβικού στόματος. στενή γάρ τις ταινία μεταξύ διήκει του τε πελάγους και της διώρυγος, έν ή έστιν ή τε μικρά Ταπόσειρις μετά την Νικόπολιν καὶ τὸ Ζεφύριον, ἄκρα ναΐσκον έχουσα Αρσινόης Αφροδίτης τὸ δὲ παλαιὸν καὶ Θῶνίν τινα πόλιν ένταθθά φασιν, ἐπώνυμον βασιλέως τοῦ δεξαμένου Μενέλαόν τε καὶ Ἑλένην ξενία. περί οδυ των της Έλένης φαρμάκων C 801 φησίν ούτως ό ποιητής.

> έσθλά, τά οἱ Πολύδαμνα πόρεν Θώνος παρά-KOITIC.

17. Κάνωβος δ' έστὶ πόλις έν είκοσι καὶ έκατὸν σταδίοις άπο 'Αλεξανδρείας πεζή ἰοῦσιν, ἐπώνυμος Κανώβου τοῦ Μενελάου κυβερνήτου, ἀποθανόντος αὐτόθι, ἔχουσα τὸ τοῦ Σαράπιδος ἰερὸν πολλή άγιστεία τιμώμενον καὶ θεραπείας ἐκφέρον, ώστε και τους ελλογιμωτάτους άνδρας πιστεύειν και

¹ See § 24 below.

i.e. "raft" or "pontoon bridge."

Thonis was situated at the Canobic mouth of the Nile, and in early times was the emporium of Aegypt (Diodorus 62

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comes to the canal which leads up to Schedia. Schedia is four schoeni 1 distant from Alexandria; it is a settlement of the city, and contains the station of the cabin-boats on which the praefects sail to Upper Aegypt. And at Schedia is also the station for paying duty on the goods brought down from above it and brought up from below it; and for this purpose, also, a schedia has been laid across the river, from which the place has its name. After the canal which leads to Schedia, one's next voyage, to Canobus, is parallel to that part of the coast-line which extends from Pharos to the Canobic mouth: for a narrow ribbon-like strip of land extends between the sea and the canal, and on this, after Nicopolis, lies the Little Taposeiris, as also the Zephyrium, a promontory which contains a shrine of Aphrodité Arsinoé. In ancient times, it is said, there was also a city called Thonis here,2 which was named after the king who received Menelaüs and Helen with hospitality. At any rate, the poet speaks of Helen's drugs as follows: "goodly drugs which Polydamna, the wife of Thon, had given her." 4

17. Canobus is a city situated at a distance of one hundred and twenty stadia from Alexandria, if one goes on foot, and was named after Canobus, the pilot of Menelaiis, who died there. It contains the temple of Sarapis, which is honoured with great reverence and effects such cures that even the most reputable men believe in it and sleep in it—them-

Siculus 1. 19); and King Thon was the warden of the Canobic mouth in the time of the Trojan war (Herodotus 1, 113).

⁴ Odyssey 4, 228,

έγκοιμάσθαι αὐτοὺς ὑπὲρ ἐαυτῶν ἡ ἐτέρουςσυγγράφουσι δέ τινες καὶ τὰς θεραπείας, ἄλλοι
δὲ ἀρετὰς τῶν ἐυταῦθα λογίων.¹ ἀντὶ πάντων
δ᾽ ἀστὶν ὁ τῶν πανηγυριστῶν ὅχλος τῶν ἀκ τῆς
'Αλεξανδρείας κατιόντων τῆ διωρυγι- πᾶσα γὰρ
ἡμέρα καὶ πᾶσα νὺξ πληθύει τῶν μὲν² ἐν τοῖς
πλοιαρίοις καταυλουμένων καὶ κατορχουμένων
ἀνέδην³ μετὰ τῆς ἐσχάτης ἀκολασίας, καὶ ἀνδρῶν
ἀκὰ γυνακῶν, τῶν δ΄ ἐν αὐτῷ τῷ Κανώβῷ καταγωγάς ἐχουτων, ἐπικειμένας τῆ διώρυγι εὐψυεῖς

πρός την τοιαύτην άνεσιν και εύωχίαν.

18. Μετὰ δὲ τὸν Κάνωβόν ἐστι τὸ Ἡράκλειον ⁴
Ἡρακλέονς ἔχον ἰεράν εἶτα τὸ Κανωβικὸν στόμα καὶ ἡ ἀρχὴ τοῦ Δέλτα. τὰ δ᾽ ἐν δεξιᾳ τῆς Κανωβικῆς διώρυγος ὁ Μενελαΐτης ἐστὶ νομὸς ἀπὸ τοῦ ἀδελφοῦ τοῦ πρώτου Πτολεμαίου καλούμενος, οὐ μὰ Δία ἀπὸ ὁ τοῦ ῆρωος, ὡς ἔνιοἱ φασιν, ὡν καὶ ᾿Αρτεμίδωρος. μετὰ δὲ τὸ Κανωβικὸν στόμα ἐστὶ τὸ Βολβίτινον, εἶτα τὸ Σεβεννυτικὸν, καὶ τὸ Φατνιτικόν, τρίτον ὑπάρχον τῷ μεγέθει παρὰ τὰ πρῶτα δύο, οἶς ὡρισται τὸ Δέλτα· καὶ γὰρο οὐ θ πόρρω τῆς κορυφῆς σχίζεται εἰς τὸ ἐντὸς τοῦ Δέλτα. τῷ δὲ Φατνιτικὸ συνάπτει τὸ Μενδησιον, εἶτα τὸ Τανιτικὸν καὶ τελευταῖον τὸ Πηλουσιακόν. ἔστι δὲ καὶ ἄλλα τούτων μεταξύ, ὡς ἀν ψευδοστόματα, ἀσημότερα· ἔχει μὲν οδν

άρεταλογίων CDPh, άρεταλογίων z, τερατολογίων i.
 μέν. Corais inserts.

arion h, and second hand in D; araily other MSS.

τό, after 'Hødeλειον Er cenit.

από ΕΕ, όπό other MSS.

ob F, sobi other MSS.

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selves on their own behalf or others for them.1 Some writers go on to record the cures, and others the virtues of the oracles there. But to balance all this is the crowd of revellers who go down from Alexandria by the canal to the public festivals; for every day and every night is crowded with people on the boats who play the flute and dance without restraint and with extreme licentiousness, both men and women, and also with the people of Canobus itself, who have resorts situated close to the canal and adapted to relaxation and merry-making of this

kind.

18. After Canobus one comes to the Heraelelum, which contains a temple of Heraeles; and then to the Canobic mouth and the beginning of the Delta. The parts on the right of the Canobic canal are the Menclaite Nome, so called from the brother of the first Ptolemy 2-not, by heaven, from the hero, as some writers say, among whom is also Artemidorus. After the Canobic mouth one comes to the Bolbitine mouth, and then to the Sebennytic, and to the Phatnitic, which is third in size as compared with the first two,3 which form the boundaries of the Delta; for not far from the vertex of the Delta the Phatnitic splits, sending a branch into the interior of the Delta. Lying close to the Phatnitic mouth is the Mendesian; and then one comes to the Tanitic, and, last of all, to the Pelusiac. There are also others in among these, pseudo-mouths as it were, which are rather insignificant. Their mouths

The Canobic and Pelusiac.

¹ Even Moses advocated this practice (16. 2. 35).

On this Menelaus see Diodorus Siculus (20, 21-53) and Plutarch (Demetrius 15-17).

μεγάλοις πλοίοις, άλλ' ύπηρετικοῦς διὰ τὸ βραχέα εἶναι καὶ ελώδη, μάλιστα μέντοι τῷ Κανωβικῷ στόματι ἐχρῶντο ὡς ἐμπορίῳ, τῶν κατ' Άλεξάνδρειαν λιμένων ἀποκεκλειμένων,¹ ὡς

προείπομεν. Μετά δὲ τὸ Βολβίτινου στόμα ἐπὶ πλέου έκκειται ταπεινή και άμμώδης άκρακαλείται δὲ 'Αγνου κέρας: εἰθ' ἡ Περσέως σκοπὴ καὶ τὸ Μιλησίων τεῖχος πλεύσαντες γὰρ ἐπὶ Ψαμμιτίχου τριάκοντα ναυσί Μιλήσιοι (κατά Κυαξάρη δ' ούτος ην τον Μήδον) κατέσχον είς το στόμα το Βολβίτινον, εἶτ' ἐκβάντες ἐτείχισαν τὸ λεχθέν κτίσμα. χρόνφ δ' άναπλεύσαντες είς τον Σαϊτικόν νομόν καταναυμαχήσαντες Ίνάρων πόλιν C 802 έκτισαν Ναύκρατιν οὐ πολύ τῆς Σχεδίας ὕπερθεν. μετά δὲ τὸ τῶν Μιλησίων τεῖχος ἐπὶ τὸ Σεβεννυτικόν προϊόντι² στόμα λίμναι εἰσίν, ὧν ή ἐτέρα Βουτική καλείται άπο Βούτου πόλεως, και ή Σεβεννυτική δὲ πόλις καὶ ή Σάις, μητρόπολις τῆς κάτω χώρας, ἐν ἡ τιμώσι τὴν 'Αθηνᾶν. ἐν δὲ τῷ ίερφ αὐτής ή θήκη κείται τοῦ Ψαμμιτίχου. περί δε την Βούτον και Έρμου πόλις έν νησφ κειμένη· ἐν δὲ τῆ Βούτω Λητοῦς ἐστι μαντεῖον.

 Έν δὲ τῆ μεσογείω τῆ ὑπὲρ τοῦ Σεβεννυτικοῦ καὶ Φατνιτικοῦ στόματος Ξόις ἐστὶ καὶ

* *postort B, *postort other MSS.

νήσος καὶ πόλις ἐν τῷ Σεβεννυτικῷ νομῷ. ἔστι

Δτοκεκλεμένων D, Δτοκεκλιμένων other MSS.

¹ f.s. to foreign imports (§ 6 above).

* Meaning "Willow-Horn," apparently.

indeed afford entrance to boats, but are adapted not to large boats, but to tenders only, because the mouths are shallow and marshy. It is chiefly, however, the Canobic mouth that they used as an emporium, since the harbours at Alexandria were kept closed,1 as I have said before. After the Bolbitine mouth one comes to a low and sandy promontory which projects rather far into the sea; it is called Agnu-Ceras.2 And then to the Watch-tower of Perseus2 and the Wall of the Milesians; for in the time of Psammitichus (who lived in the time of Cyaxares the Mede) the Milesians, with thirty ships, put in at the Bolbitine mouth, and then, disembarking, fortified with a wall the above-mentioned settlement; but in time they sailed up into the Sartie Nome, defeated the city Inaros in a naval fight, and founded Naucratis, not far above Schedia. After the Wall of the Milesians, as one proceeds towards the Schennytic mouth, one comes to two lakes, one of which, Butice, has its name from the city Butus, and also to the Sebennytic city, and to Sals, the metropolis of the lower country, in which Athena is worshipped; and in her temple lies the tomb of Psammitichus. In the neighbourhood of Butus is also an Hermupolis,4 which is situated on an island; and in Butus there is an oracle of Leto.5

19. In the interior above the Sebennytic and Phatnitic mouths lies Xoïs, both an island and a city, in the Sebennytic Nome. Here, also, are an

Herodotus (2.15) appears to place the watch-tower at the Canobic month.

^{*} City of Hermes."

5 On Leto's shrine and oracle in Butus, see Herodotus

9 165.

δὲ καὶ Έρμοῦ πόλις καὶ Λύκου πόλις καὶ Μένδης, ὅπου τὰν Πάνα τιμῶσι καὶ τῶν ζώων τράγου ὡς δὲ Πίνδαρός φησιν, οἱ τράγος ἐνταῦθα γυναιξὶ μίγνυνται·

Μένδητα παρά κρημνόν θαλάσσης, έσχατον Νείλου κέρας, αίγιβάται δθι τράγοι γυναιξί μίσγονται.¹

πλησίου δὲ Μένδητος καὶ Διὸς πόλις καὶ αὶ περὶ αὐτὴν λίμναι καὶ Λεοντόπολις: εἰτ' ἀπωτέρω ἡ Βούσιρις πόλις ἐν τῷ Βουσιρίτη νομῷ καὶ Κυνὸς πόλις. φησὶ δ' Ἐρατοσθένης κοινὸν μὲν εἰναι τοῖς βαρβάροις πὰσιν ἔθος τὴν ξενηλασίαν, τοὺς δ Λίγυπτίους ἐλέγχεσθαι διὰ τῶν περὶ τὸν Βούσιριτ μεμυθευμένων ἐν τῷ Βουσιρίτη νομῷ, διαβάλλειν τὴν ἀξενίαν βουλομένων τοῦ τόπου τούτου τῶν ὕστερον, οὐ βασιλέως, μὰ Δία, οὐδὲ τυράννου γενομένου τινὸς Βουσίριδος· προσεπιφημισθῆναι δὲ καὶ τὸ

Αίγυπτόνδ' ίέναι δολιχήν όδον άργαλέην τε, προσλαμβάνοντος πρός τούτο πάμπολυ καὶ τοῦ άλιμένου καὶ τοῦ μηδὲ τὸν ὅντα λιμένα ἀνεἰσθαι τὸν πρός τῷ Φάρφ, φρουρεῖσθαι δ' ὑπὸ βουκόλων ληστών ἐπιτιθεμένων τοῖς προσορμίζομένοις-Καρχηδονίους δὲ καταποντοῦν, εἴ τις τῶν ξένων εἰς Σαρδώ παραπλεύσειεν ἡ ἐπὶ Στήλας. διὰ δὲ

The words Méreurs . . . nisyerus are not found in EF. Kramer and later editors reject them.

^{1 &}quot;City of Lycua." Frag. 201 (215), Schroeder. So Herodotus (2. 46), who also says that "In the Aegyptian language both the he-goat and Pan are called Mendes."

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Hermupolis and a Lycupolis,1 and Mendes, at which place they worship Pan and, among animals, a hegoat; and, as Pindar 2 says, the he-goats have intercourse with women there: " Mendes, along the crag of the sea, farthermost horn of the Nile, where the goat-mounting he-goats have intercourse with women." Near Mendes lie also a Diospolis 4 and the lakes in its neighbourhood and Leontopolis; 5 and then, at a greater distance, the city Busiris in the Busirite Nome, and Cynospolis. According to Eratosthenes, the expulsion of foreigners is a custom common to all barbarians, and yet the Aegyptians are condemned for this fault because of the myths which have been circulated about Busiris in connection with the Busirite Nome, since the later writers wish falsely to malign the inhospitality of this place, although, by heavens, no king or tyrant named Busiris ever existed; and, he says, the poet's words are also constantly cited..."to go to Aegypt, long and painful journey"-the want of harbours contributing very much to this opinion, as also the fact that even the harbour which Acgypt did have, the one at Pharos, gave no access, but was guarded by shepherds who were pirates and who attacked those who tried to bring ships to anchor there; and the Carthaginians likewise, he adds, used to drown in the sea any foreigners who sailed past their country to Sardo s or to the Pillars, and

[&]quot;City of Zons."

[&]quot; Lion City."

 [&]quot;Dog's City."
 The mythical king Busins sacrificed all foreigners who entered Asyspet, but at last was slain by Heracles (Apollodorus 2. 5. 11).

ταθτ' άπιστεῖσθαι τὰ πολλὰ τῶν ἐσπερίων καὶ τούς Πέρσας δὲ κακῶς ἡγεῖσθαι τοῖς πρέσβεσι

τὰς όδοὺς κύκλω καὶ διὰ δυσκόλων.

 Συνάπτει δὲ καὶ ὁ ᾿Αθριβίτης νομὸς καὶ Αθριβις πόλις καὶ έτι ὁ Προσωπίτης νομός, έν φ Αφροδίτης πόλις, ύπερ δε το Μενδήσιον στόμα και το Τανιτικον λίμνη μογάλη και ό Μενδήσιώς έστι νομός και ό Λεοντοπολίτης και πόλις 'Αφροδίτης καὶ ὁ Φαρβητίτης νομός είτα τὸ Τανιτικου στόμα, δ τινες Σαϊτικου λέγουσι, καὶ ὁ Τανίτης νομὸς καὶ πόλις ἐν αὐτῷ μεγάλη Tápue.

21. Μεταξύ δὲ τοῦ Τανιτικοῦ καὶ τοῦ Πηλουσιακού λίμναι καὶ έλη μεγάλα καὶ συνεχή κώμας πολλάς έχορτα· καὶ αὐτὸ δὲ τὸ Πηλούσιον κύκλω Ο 803 περικείμενα έχει έλη, ἄ τινες Βάραθρα καλοῦσι, και τέλματα ώκισται δ' άπο θαλάττης έν πλείοσιν ή είκοσι σταδίοις, του δε κύκλου έχει του τείχους σταδίων είκοσιν δυόμασται δ' άπδ του πηλού και τών τελμάτων. ταύτη δέ και δυσείσβολός έστιν ή Αίγυπτος έκ των έωθινών τόπων τών κατά Φοινίκην καὶ τὴν Ἰουδαίαν, καὶ έκ της Αραβίας δε της Ναβαταίων, ήπερ έστι προσεχής. διά τούτων έπὶ την Αίγυπτον ή όδός. ή δὲ μεταξύ τοῦ Νείλου καὶ τοῦ "Αραβίου κόλπου Αραβία μέν έστι, καὶ έπί γε τῶν ἄκρων κολπου Τόρυται τὸ Πηλούσιον, ἀλλ ἔρημος ἄπασά ἐστι καὶ ἄβατος στρατοπέδω, ὁ δὲ μεταξὺ ἰσθμὸς Πηλουσίου καὶ τοῦ μυχοῦ τοῦ καθ Ἡρώων πόλιν χιλίων 1 μέν έστι σταδίων, ώς δὲ Ποσειδώνιός

¹ χιλίων (as in 1. 2. 29 and Herodotus 2. 158, 4 11), Epitome and editors, for δνακοσίων.

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it is for this reason that most of the stories told about the west are disbelieved; and also the Persians, he says, would treacherously guide the ambassadors over roundabout roads and through

difficult regions.

20. Bordering on this Nome is the Athribite Nome and the city Athribis, and also the Prosopite Nome, in which is a City of Aphrodité. Above the Mendesian and Tanitie mouths lie a large lake and the Mendesian and Leontopolite Nomes and a City of Aphrodité and the Pharbetite Nome; and then one comes to the Tanitie mouth, which some call Sattie, and to the Tanite Nome, and to Tanis, a large city therein.

21. Between the Tanitic and Pelusiac mouths lie lakes, and large and continuous marshes which contain many villages. Pelusium itself also has marshes lying all round it, which by some are called Barathra,3 and muddy ponds; its settlement lies at a distance of more than twenty stadia from the sea, the wall has a circuit of twenty stadia, and it has its name from the pelos 2 and the muddy ponds. Here, too, Aegypt is difficult to enter, I mean from the eastern regions about Phoenicia and Judaea, and from the Arabia of the Nabatacans, which is next to Aegypt; these are the regions which the road to Aegypt traverses. The country between the Nile and the Arabian Gulf is Arabia, and at its extremity is situated Pelusium; but the whole of it is desert, and impassable for an army. The isthmus between Pelusium and the recess

of the gulf at Heroonpolis 3 is one thousand stadia,

but, according to Poseidonius, less than one thousand

1 "Pita."

1 "City of Heroes."

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φησιν, έλαπτόνων ή χιλίων καὶ πεντακοσίων· πρὸς δὲ τῷ ἄνυδρος είναι καὶ ἀμμώδης έρπετῶν

πλήθος έχει των αμμοδυτών.

22. 'Από δὲ Σχεδίας ἀναπλέουσιν ἐπὶ Μέμφιν ἐν δεξιὰ μέν εἰσι πάμπολλαι κῶμαι μέχρι τῆς Μαρείας 1 λίμνης, ὧν ἐστι καὶ ἡ Χαβρίου κώμη καλουμένη· ἐπὶ δὲ τῷ ποταμῷ 'Ερμοῦ πόλις ἐστίν- εἶτα Γυναικῶν πόλις καὶ νομὸς Γυναικῶν πόλις καὶ νομὸς Γυναικῶν πόλις καὶ νομὸς Γυναικῶν πόλις καὶ νομὸς Γυναικῶν πόλις καὶ Μωμεμφίτης νομός- μεπαξὺ δὲ διώρυγες πλείους εἰς τὴν Μαρεῶτιν. οἱ δὲ Μωμεμφίται τὴν 'Αφροδίτην τιμῶσι, καὶ τρέφεται θήλεια βοῦς ἰεριῖ, καθάπερ ἐν Μέμφει ὁ 'Απις, ἐν 'Ηλίου δὲ πόλει ὁ Μνεὺις- οὐτοι μὲν οὐν θεοὶ νομίζονται, οῖ δὲ παρὰ τοῖς ἄλλοις (παρὰ πολλοῖς γὰρ δὴ ἔν τε τῷ Δέλτα καὶ ἔξω αὐτοῦ τοῖς μὲν ἄρρην, τοῖς δὲ θήλεια τρέφεται), οὖτοι δὲ θεοὶ μὲν οὐ νομίζονται, ἰεροὶ δὲ.

23. 'Τπέρ δὲ Μωμέμφεως εἰσι δύο νιτρίαι πλεῦστον νίτρον ἔχουσαι καὶ νομὸς Νιτριώτης. τιμάται δ' ἐνταῦθα ὁ Σάραπις καὶ παρὰ μόνοις τούτοις θύεται ἐν Λιγύπτω πρόβατον πλησίον δὲ καὶ ἐνταῦθα πόλις Μενέλαος, ἐν ἀριστερῷ δὲ ἐν τῷ Δέλτα ἐπὶ μὲν τῷ ποταμῷ Ναύκρατις, ἀπὸ δὲ τοῦ ποταμοῦ δίσχοινον διέχουσα ἡ Σάις καὶ μκρον ταύτης ῦπερθε τὸ τοῦ 'Όσιριδος ἄσυλον, ἐν ῷ κεῖσθαι τὸν 'Όσιρίς φασιν. ἀμφισβητοῦσι δὲ τούτον πολλοί, καὶ μάλιστα οἱ τὰς Φιλὰς οἰκοῦντες τὰς ὑπὲρ Συήνης

¹ Mapelus E, Zauapelas Dh, Zauaplas CF, Maplas mosurz.

[&]quot;City of Women,"

[&]quot;City of the Sun."

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five hundred; and in addition to its being waterless and sandy, it contains a multitude of reptiles, the

sand-burrowers.

22. From Schedia, as one sails towards Memphis, there are, on the right, a very large number of villages, extending as far as Lake Marcia, among which is the Village of Chabrias, as it is called; and, on the river, one comes to an Hermupolis, and then to Gynaeconpolis and the Gynaeconpolite Nome, and, next in order, to Momemphis and the Momemphite Nome; but in the interval there are several canals which empty into Lake Marcotis. The Momemphitae honour Aphrodite; and a sacred cow is kept there, as is Apis in Memphis and Mneuïs in Heliupolis.2 Now these animals are regarded as gods, but those in the other places (for in many places, indeed, both in the Delta and outside of it, either a bull or cow is kept)-those others, I say, are not regarded as gods, though they are held sacred.

23. Above Momemphis are two nitre-beds, which-contain very large quantities of nitre,3 and the Nitriote Nome. Here Sarapis is held in honour; and they are the only people in Aegypt who sacrifice a sheep. Near by, and in this Nome, is a city Menclatis; and on the left, in the Delta, lies Naucratis, which is on the river, whereas Sats lies at a distance of two schoeni from the river. A little above Sais is the asylum of Osiris, in which the body of Osiris is said to lie; but many lay claim to this, and particularly the inhabitants of the Philae which

³ The ancients meant by "nitre" native sodium carbonate, not potassium nitrate (saltpeire), the present meaning. Pliny (31. 6) mentions the various kinds and their uses.

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και της Έλεφαντίνης. μυθεύουσι γὰρ δή, διότι ή Ίσις κατά πολλούς τόπους κατά γης θείη σορούς τοῦ 'Οσίριδος (μία δὲ τούτων ἡν ἔχουσα τὸν "Οσιριν, ἀφανής πάσι), τοῦτο δὲ πράξειε λαθεῖν βουλομένη τὸν Τυφώνα, μὴ ἐπελθὸν ἐκρίψειε τὸ σώμα τῆς θήκης.

24. 'Από μεν δή της 'Αλεξανδρείας έπὶ την τοῦ Δέλτα κορυφήν αύτη ή περιήγησις, φησὶ δ' ό Αρτεμίδωρος σχοίνων όκτω καὶ είκοσι του άνά. Ο 804 πλουν, τούτο δ' είναι σταδίους δκτακοσίους τετταράκουτα, λογιζόμενος τριακονταστάδιον την σχοίνου ήμιν μέντοι πλέουσιν άλλοτ' άλλφ μέτρω χρώμενοι των σχοίνων απεδίδοσαν τά διαστήματα, ώστε καὶ τετταρώκοντα σταδίους καὶ έτι μείζους κατά τόπους όμολογείσθαι παρ' αύτων. καὶ διότι παρὰ τοῦς Λίγυπτίοις ἄστατόν έστι τὸ τῆς σχοίνου μέτρου, αὐτὸς ὁ ᾿Αρτεμίδωρος έν τοῖς έξης δηλοί. ἀπὸ μέν γὰρ Μέμφεως μέχρι Θηβαΐδος την σχοίνον έκάστην φησίν είναι σταδίων έκατὸν είκοσιν, ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς Θηβαίδος μέχρι Συήνης έξήκοντα, ἀπὸ δὲ Πηλουσίου πρὸς την αύτην άναπλέουσι κορυφήν σχοίνους μέν πέντε και είκοσι φησι, σταδίους δε έπτακοσίους πευτήκουτα, τῷ αὐτῷ μέτρφ χρησάμενος. πρώτην δ' έκ του Πηλουσίου προελθούσιν είναι διώρυγα την πληρούσαν τὰς κατά τὰ έλη καλουμένας λίμνας, αι δύο μέν είσιν, ἐν ἀριστερά δὲ κείνται τοῦ μεγάλου ποταμοῦ ὑπὲρ τὸ Πηλούσιον ἐν τῆ 'Αραβία και άλλας δὲ λέγει λίμνας και διώρυγας

¹ So Diodorus Siculus (1, 22, 3).

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is situated above Syene and Elephantine; for they tell the mythical story, namely, that Isis placed coffins of Osiris beneath the earth in several places (but only one of them, and that unknown to all, contained the body of Osiris), and that she did this because she wished to hide the body from Typhon, fearing that he might find it and cast it out of its tomb.

24. Now this is the full description of the country from Alexandria to the vertex of the Delta; and, according to Artemidorus, the voyage up the river is twenty-eight schoeni, that is, eight hundred and forty stadia, reckoning the schoenus at thirty stadia. When I made the voyage, however, they used different measures at different times when they gave the distances, so that even forty stadia, or still more, was the accepted measure schoenus, according to the place. That the measure of the schoenus among the Aegyptians is unstable is made clear by Artemidorus himself in his next statement; for from Memphis to Thebaïs each schoenus, he says, is one hundred and twenty stadia, and from Thebaïs to Syene sixty, and, as one sails up from Pelusium to the same vertex of the Delta, the distance, he says, is twenty-five schoeni, that is, seven hundred and fifty stadia, using the same measure. The first canal, as one proceeds from Pelusium, he says, is the one which fills the Marsh-lakes, as they are called, which are two in number and lie on the left of the great river above Pelusium in Arabia; and he also speaks of

This goddess was both sister and wife of Osiris.

Typhon came to be identified with the Aegyptian god "Set" (brother of Osiris and Isis), who murdered Osiris.

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έν τοῖς αὐτοῖς μέρεσιν ἔξω τοῦ Δέλτα. ἔστι δὲ καὶ νομὸς Σεθρωίτης παρὰ τὴν ἐτέραν λίμνην' ἔνα δὲ τῶν δέκα τῶν ἐν τῷ Δέλτα διαριθμεῖται καὶ τοῦτον' εἰς δὲ τὰς αὐτὰς ὶ λίμνας συμβάλλουσι

καὶ άλλαι δύο διώρυγες.

25. "Αλλη δ' έστιν ἐκδιδοῦσα εἰς τὴν Ἐρυθρὰν καὶ τὸν 'Αράβιον κόλπον κατὰ 2 πόλιν 'Αρσινόην, ην ένιοι Κλεοπατρίδα καλούσι. διαρρεί δὲ καὶ διά των πικρών καλουμένων λιμνών, αξ πρότερον μέν ήσαν πικραί, τμηθείσης δὲ τῆς διώρυγος τῆς λεχθείσης μετεβάλοντο 3 τη κράσει του ποταμού, καί νθν είσιν εύοψοι, μεσταί δέ και τών λιμναίων όρνέων, έτμήθη δὲ τη διώρυξ κατ' άρχὰς μέν ύπὸ Σεσώστριος πρὸ τῶν Τρωικῶν' οἱ δὲ ὑπὸ του Ψαμμιτίχου παιδός, άρξαμένου μόνον, είτ' έκλιπόντος τον βίον ύστερον δε ύπο Δαρείου τοῦ πρώτου, διαδεξαμένου το έξης έργον. και ούτος δε δόξη ψευδεί πεισθείς άφηκε το έργον περί συντέλειαν ήδη ἐπείσθη γὰρ μετεωροτέραν είναι την Ερυθράν θάλατταν της Λίγύπτου καί, εί διακοπείη πᾶς ό μεταξὺ ἰσθμός, ἐπικλυσθήσεσθαι τη θαλάττη την Αδγυπτον οι μέντοι Πτολεμαϊκοί βασιλείς διακόψαντες κλειστον εποίησαν τον εύριπον, ώστε, ότε βούλοιντο, έκπλεῖν ἀκωλύτως είς την έξω θάλατταν καὶ είσπλεῖν πάλιν. εἴρηται

s gard, Brequigny, for sal; so the editors.

4 DM insert and before f.

¹ the abtde Groskurd, for tabras tas Re, τοσαύται other MSS. So Kramor and later editors.

μετεβαλοντο, x and the editors, for μετεβάλλοντο.

¹ The others are named in §§ 18-20 above. Pliny (5. 9) names still more.

other lakes and canals in the same regions outside the Delta. There is also the Sethroite Nome by the second lake, although he counts this Nome too as one of the ten² in the Delta; and two other

canals meet in the same lakes.

25. There is another canal which empties into the Red Sea and the Arabian Gulf near the city Arsinoe, a city which some call Cleopatris. It flows also through the Bitter Lakes, as they are called, which were indeed bitter in earlier times, but when the above-mentioned canal was cut they underwent a change because of the mixing with the river, and now are well supplied with fish and full also of aquatic birds. The canal was first cut by Sesostris before the Trojan War-though some say by the son of Psammitichus,2 who only began the work and then died-and later by Dareius the First,3 who succeeded to the next work done upon it. But he, too, having been persuaded by a false notion, abandoned the work when it was already near completion; for he was persuaded that the Red Sea was higher than Aegypt, and that if the intervening isthmus were cut all the way through, Aegypt would be inundated by the sea. The Ptolemaic kings,4 however, cut through it and made the strait a closed passage,5 so that when they wished they could sail out without hindrance into the outer sea and sail in again. But I have

* So Diodorus Siculus (1. 33. 9).

^{* 6.4.} by Necos (Diodorus Siculus 1. 33. 9), or Nucho, who lost 120,000 men in the effort (Herodotus 2. 158).

^{4 &}quot;Ptolemy II" (Diodorus Siculus 1, 33, 11).
5 "At the most advantageous place he built a cleverly contrived barrier" (Diodorus Siculus 1, 33, 11).

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δε και περί της των υδάτων επιφανείας και εν τοις

πρώτοις ύπομνήμασι.

26. Πλησίου δὲ τῆς 'Αρσινόης καὶ ἡ τῶν 'Πρώων ἐστὶ πόλις καὶ ἡ Κλεοπατρὶς ἐν τῷ μυχῷ τοῦ C 805 'Αραβίου κόλπου τῷ πρὸς Αίγυπτον καὶ λιμένες καὶ κατοικίαι διώρυγές τε ¹ πλείους καὶ λίμναι πλησιαίζουσαι τούτοις ἐνταθθα δ' ἐστὶ καὶ ὁ Φαγρωριοπολίτης νομὸς καὶ πόλις Φαγρωριόπολις. ἡ δὲ ἀρχὴ τῆς διώρυγος τῆς ἐκδιδούσης εἰς τὴν 'Ερυθρὰν ἀπο κώμης ἀρχεται Φακυύσσης, ἡ συνεχής ἐστι καὶ ἡ Φίλωνος κώμη πλάτος δ' ἔχει πηχῶν ἐκατῶν ἡ διώρυξ, βάθος δ' ὅσον ἀρκεῦν μυριοφύρω γηὶ τοῦτοι δ' οἱ τόποι πλησιάζουσι τῆ κορυφή τοῦ Δέλτα.

 Αὐτοῦ δὲ καὶ ἡ Βούβαστος πάλις καὶ ὁ Βουβαστίτης νομός καὶ ὑπὲρ αὐτὸν ὁ Ἡλιοπολίτης νομός. ἀνταῦθα δ' ἐστὶν ἡ τοῦ 'Πλίου πόλις έπὶ χώματος ἀξιολόγου κειμένη, τὸ ἰερὸν έχουσα του Ήλίου και τον βούν τον Μυεύιν έν σηκώ τινι τρεφόμενον, δς παρ' αὐτοίς νενόμισται θεός, ώσπερ καὶ ἐν Μέμφει ὁ Απις. πρόκεινται δε του χώματος λίμναι, την ανάχυσιν έκ της πλησίον διώρυγος έχουσαι. νυνί μέν ούν έστι πανέρημος ή πόλις, το ίερον έχουσα τῷ Λίγυπτίφ τρόπω κατεσκευασμένον άρχαΐον, έχου πολλά τεκμήρια της Καμβύσου μανίας και Γεροσυλίας, δς τά μεν πυρί, τὰ δὲ σιδήρω διελωβάτο τῶν ίερων, ακρωτηριάζων και περικαίων, καθάπερ και τους δβελίσκους ών δύο και els 'Ρώμην έκομίσθησαν οί μή κεκακωμένοι τελέως, άλλοι δ' είσὶ κάκει και έν Θήβαις, τῆ νῦν Διοσπόλει, οι μέν έστωτες άκμην πυρίβρωτοι, οί δὲ καὶ κείμενοι.

¹ re, Corais, for \$4; so the later editors.

GEOGRAPHY, 17. 1. 25-27

already discussed the levels of the bodies of water

in my first commentaries.1

26. Near Arsinoè one comes also to Heroënpolis and Cleopatris, in the recess of the Arabian Gulf towards Aegypt, and to harbours and settlements, and near there, to several canals and lakes. Here, too, is the Phagroriopolite Nome and the city Phagroriopolis. The canal which empties into the Red Sca begins at Phacussa, a village, to which the Village of Philo is contiguous; the canal has a breadth of one hundred cubits and a depth sufficient for very large merchant-vessels; and these places are near the vertex of the Delta.

27. Here are both the city Bubastus and the Bubastite Nome; and above it is the Heliopolite Nome. In this Nome is Heliupolis, which situated upon a noteworthy mound; it contains the temple of Helios, and the ox Mneuis, which is kept in a kind of sanctuary and is regarded among the inhabitants as god, as is Apis in Memphis. In front of the mound are lakes, which receive the overflow from the neighbouring canal. The city is now entirely deserted; it contains the ancient temple constructed in the Aegyptian manner, which affords many evidences of the madness and sacrilege of Cambyses, who partly by fire and partly by iron sought to outrage the temples, mutilating them and burning them on every side, just as he did with the obelisks. Two of these, which were not completely spoiled, were brought to Rome, but others are either still there or at Thebes, the present Diospolissome still standing, thoroughly eaten by the fire, and others lying on the ground.

28. Τής δὲ κατασκευῆς τῶν ἰερῶν ή διάθεσις τοιαύτη· κατὰ τὴν εἰσβολήν τὴν εἰς τὸ τέμενος λιθόστρωτόν ἐστιν ἔδαφος, πλάτος μὲν ὅσον πλεθριαῖον ἡ καὶ ἔλαττον, μῆκος δὲ καὶ τριπλάσιον καὶ τετραπλάσιον, ἔστιν ὅπου καὶ μεῖζον καλεῖται δὲ τοῦτο δρόμος, καθάπερ Καλλίμαχος εἰονικεν

ό δρόμος ίερὸς ούτος 'Ανούβιδος.

διὰ δὲ τοῦ μήκους παυτὸς ἐξῆς ἐφ' ἐκάτερα τοῦ πλάτους σφίγγες ἔδρυνται λίθιναι, πήχει εἴκοσιν ἡ μικρῷ πλείους ἀπ' ἀλλήλων διέχουσαι, ὥσθ' ἐνα μὲν ἐκ δεξιῶν εἰναι στίχον τὰν σφιγγῶν, ἔνα εἰνα ἐκ δεξιῶν εἰναι στίχον τὰν σφιγγῶν, ἔνα εἰναι ἀλλο προελθόντι πρόπυλον, εἰτ' ἄλλο προελθόντι πρόπυλον, εἰτ' ἄλλο σὸκ ἔστι δὲ διωρισμένος ἀριθμὸς οὐτε τῶν προπύλων οὐτε τῶν σφιγγῶν, ᾶλλα δ' ἐν ἄλλοις ἱεροῦς, ὡσπερ καὶ τὰ μήκη καὶ τὰ πλάτη τῶν δρόμων, μετὰ δὲ τὰ προπύλαια ὁ νεὼς πρόναον ἔχων μέγα καὶ ἀξιόλογον, τὸν δὲ σηκὸν σύμμετρον, ξόανον δ΄ οὐδέν, ἡ οὐκ ἀνθρωπόμορφον, ἀλλὰ τῶν ἀλόγων ζώων τινός τοῦ δὲ προνάου παρ' ἐκάτερον πρόκειται τὰ λεγόμενα 1 πτερά· ἔστι δὲ ταῦτα ἱσουψή τῷ νεῷ τείχη δύο, κατ' ἀρχὰς μὲν ἀφεστῶτα ἀπ' ἀλλήλων μικρὸν ² πλέον

C 806 άρχας μέν άφεστώτα απ' άλλήλων μικρόν ² πλέον ή το πλάτος έστι της κρηπίδος τοῦ νεώ, έπειτ είς το πρόσθεν προϊόντι κατ' έπινευούνεας ³ γραμ.

Instead of λεγόμενα C reads μεγάλα. μικρφ Dz. ἐπινευσύσας, Corais and Groskurd emend to ἀποτευσύσας.

Strabo means the Aegyptian temples in general.
 A sketch of the plan may be found in Tozer's Selections,
 356; but ep, the sketch of the proness in the Cornistatrone edition.

28. The plan of the construction of the temples 1 is as follows: 2 at the entrance into the sacred precinct there is a floor paved with stones, with a breadth of about a plethrum, or less, and a length either three or four times as great, or in some cases more; and this is called the dromus,3 as Callimachus states: "This is the dromus, sacred to Anubis." 4 Throughout its whole length are stone sphinxes placed in order on each of its two sides, at a distance from one another of twenty cubits or a little more, so that one row of the sphinxes is on the right and one row on the left. And after the sphinxes one comes to a large propylum,5 and then, 4s one proceeds, another, and then another; but there is no prescribed number either of propyla or of sphinxes, and they are different in different temples, as are also the lengths and the breadths of the dromi, After the propylaca one comes to the naos, which has a large and noteworthy pronaos,7 and to a sanctuary of commensurate size, though it has no statue, or rather no statue of human form, but only of some irrational animal. On either side of the pronaos project the wings, as they are called. These are two walls equal in height to the naos, which are at first distant from one another a little more than the breadth of the foundation of the naos, and then, as one proceeds onward, follow

2 Literally, "course" or "run."

4 The Aggyptian Anpu, worshipped as "Lord of the Grave."

^{*} Literally, "Front Gate": but like the Propylaca on the Aeropolis at Athens, the propylum was a considerable building forming a gateway to the temple.

i.e. the temple proper.

μάς μέχρι πηχών πεντήκοντα ή έξήκοντα άναγλυφάς δ΄ έχουσιν οί τοίχοι ούτοι μεγάλων εἰδώλων, όμοίων τοίς Τυρρηνικοίς καὶ τοίς άρχαίοις σφόδρα τών παρὰ τοίς Έλλησι δημιουργημάτων, έστι δέ τις καὶ πολύστυλος οίκος, καθάπερ ἐν Μέμφει, βαρβαρικήν έχων τήν κατασκευήν πλήν γὰρ τοῦ μεγάλων εἰναι καὶ πολλών καὶ πολυστίχων τών στύλων 1 οὐδὲν έχει χαρίεν οὐδὲ γραφικόν, ἀλλὰ

ματαιοπονίαν έμφαίνει μάλλον.

29. Έν δε τη Ήλίου πόλει και οίκους είδομεν μεγάλους, έν οις διέτριβον οί ίερεις μάλιστα γάρ δή ταύτην κατοικίαν Ιερέων γεγονέναι φασί τὸ παλαιόν, φιλοσόφων ανδρών και αστρονομικών έκλέλοιπε δὲ καὶ τοθτο νυνὶ τὸ σύστημα καὶ ή άσκησις. έκει μέν οὐν οὐδεὶς ήμιν έδείκνυτο τῆς τοιαύτης ἀσκήσεως προεστώς, ἀλλ' οἱ ἱεροποιοὶ μόνον καὶ ἐξηγηταὶ τοῖς ξένοις τῶν περὶ τὰ ἰερά, παρηκολούθει δέ τις έξ 'Αλεξανδρείας άναπλέοντι είς την Αίγυπτον Αίλίφ Γάλλφ το ήγεμόνι Χαιρήμων τούνομα, προσποιούμενος τοιαύτην τινά έπιστήμην, γελώμενος δὲ τὸ πλέον ὡς άλαζὼν και ιδιώτης. έκει δ' ούν έδεικυυντο οί τε τών ίερέων οίκοι καὶ Πλάτωνος καὶ Εὐδόξου διατριβαί: συνανέβη γὰρ δὴ τῷ Πλάτωνι ὁ Εὐδοξος δεθρο καὶ συνδιέτριψαν τοῖς ἱερεῦσιν ἐνταῦθα ἐκεῖνοι τρισκαίδεκα έτη, ώς εξρηταί τισι περιττούς γάρ δυτας κατά την έπιστήμην των ουρανίων, μυστι-

² moz change all these genitives to accusatives; so Corais.

⁴ f.s. in the Etruscan tombs.

Hardly Cheremon the Alexandrian philosopher and historian, as some think. Adius Gallus made the voyage

converging lines as far as fifty or sixty cubits; and these walls have figures of large images cut in low relief, like the Tyrrhenian 1 images and the very old works of art among the Greeks. There is also a kind of hall with numerous columns (as at Memphis, for example), which is constructed in the barbaric manner; for, except for the fact that the columns are large and numerous and form many rows, the hall has nothing pleasing or picturesque,

but is rather a display of vain toil.

29. In Heliupolis I also saw large houses in which the priests lived; for it is said that this place in particular was in ancient times a settlement of priests who studied philosophy and astronomy; but both this organisation and its pursuits have now disappeared. At Heliupolis, in fact, no one was pointed out to me as presiding over such pursuits, but only those who performed the sacrifices and explained to strangers what pertained to the sacred rites. When Aelius Gallus the praefect sailed up into Aegypt, he was accompanied by a certain man from Alexandria, Chaeremon 2 by name, who pretended to some knowledge of this kind, but was generally ridiculed as a boaster and ignoramus. However, at Heliupolis the houses of the priests and schools of Plato and Eudoxus were pointed out to us; for Eudoxus went up to that place with Plato. and they both passed thirteen years3 with the priests, as is stated by some writers; for since these priests excelled in their knowledge of the heavenly bodies,

about 25 n.c., but that Chaeremon was a tutor of Nero after

A.D. 49.

The Epitome reads "three years," and Diogenes Lacrius
(8, 87) "sixteen months."

κούς δὲ καὶ δυσμεταδότους, τῷ χρόνφ καὶ ταῖς θεραπείαις έξελιπάρησαν, ώστε τινά των θεωρημάτων ίστορήσαι τὰ πολλά δὲ ἀπεκρύψαντο οί Βάρβαροι. ούτοι δὲ τὰ ἐπιτρέχοντα τῆς ἡμέρας και της νυκτός μόρια ταις τριακοσίαις έξηκοντα πέντε ήμέραις είς την έκπληρωσιν τοῦ ένιαυσίου γρόνου παρέδοσαν. άλλ' ήγνος το τέως ό ένιαντὸς παρά τοῖς "Ελλησιν, ώς καὶ άλλα πλείω, έως οί νεώτεροι άστρολόγοι παρέλαβον παρά τών μεθερμηνευσάντων είς τὸ Έλληνικὸν τὰ τῶν ίερέων υπομνήματα και έτι νθν παραλαμβάνουσι τὰ ἀπ' ἐκείνων, όμοίως καὶ τὰ τῶν Χαλδαίων. 30. Έντεθθεν δή 1 ό Νειλός έστιν ό ύπερ τοθ Δέλτα τούτου δή τὰ μὲν δεξιὰ καλοῦσι Λιβύην άναπλέοντι, ώσπερ καὶ τὰ περὶ τὴν 'Αλεξάνδρειαν καὶ τὴν Μαρεώτιν, τὰ δ' ἐν ἀριστερά Αραβίαν. ή μεν ουν Ήλίου πύλις εν τη 'Αραβία έστίν, ἐν δὲ τῆ Λιβύη Κερκέσουρα πόλις κατὰ

ορειαν και την Μαρεώτιν, τά δ' έν άριστερα 'Αραβίαν. ή μέν οῦν Ἡλίου πόλις ἐν τῆ 'Αραβία ἐστίν, ἐν δὲ τῆ Λιβύη Κερκέσουρα πόλις κατὰ Ο 807 τὰς Εὐδόξου κειμένη σκοπάς: δείκνυται γὰρ σκοπή τις πρὸ τῆς Ἡλίου πόλεως, καθάπερ καὶ πρὸ τῆς Κνίδου, πρὸς ῆν ἐσημειοῦτο ἐκεῖνος τῶν οὐρανίων τινὰς κινήσεις ὁ δὲ νομὸς Αητοπολίτης οῦτος. ἀναπλεύσαντι δ' ἐστὶ Βαβυλών, φρούριον ἐρυμνόν, ἀποστάντων ἐνταῦθα Βαβυλωνίων τινῶν,

Instead of \$6, IM read \$6

As stated in § 46 (below), they divided the year into twelve months of thirty days each, and at the end of the 84

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albeit secretive and slow to impart it, Plato and Eudoxus prevailed upon them in time and by courting their favour to let them learn some of the principles of their doctrines; but the barbarians concealed most things. However, these men did teach them the fractions of the day and the night which, running over and above the three hundred and sixty-five days, fill out the time of the true year. But at that time the true year was unknown among the Greeks, as also many other things, until the later astrologers learned them from the men who had translated into Greek the records of the priests; and even to this day they learn their teachings. and likewise those of the Chaldaeans.

30. From Heliupolis, then, one comes to the Nile above the Delta. Of this, the parts on the right, as one sails up, are called Libya, as also the parts round Alexandria and Lake Mareotis, whereas those on the left are called Arabia. Now Heliupolis is in Arabia, but the city Cercesura, which lies near the observatories of Eudoxus, is in Libya; for a kind of watch-tower is to be seen in front of Heliupolis, as also in front of Cnidus, with reference to which Eudoxus would note down his observations of certain movements of the heavenly bodies. Here the Nome is the Letopolite. And, having sailed farther up the river, one comes to Babylon, a stronghold, where some Babylonians had withdrawn in revolt and then successfully negotiated for permission

twelve months added five days (so Horodotus 2. 4), and then at the end of every fourth year added another day. Diodorus Siculus (1. 50), however, puts it thus: "They add five and one-fourth days to the twelve months and in this way complete the annual period."

είτα διαπραξαμένων ένταῦθα κατοικίαν παρὰ τῶν βασιλέων νυνὶ δ' ἐστὶ στρατόπεδον ἐνὸς τῶν τριῶν ταγμάτων τῶν φρουρούντων τὴν Λίγυπτον. ράχις δ' ἐστὶν ἀπὸ τοῦ στρατοπέδου καὶ μέχρι Νείλου καθήκουσα, δι' ης ἀπὸ τοῦ ποταμοῦ τροχοὶ καὶ κοχλίαι τὸ ὕδωρ ἀνάγουσιν. ἀνδρῶν ἐκατὸν πεντήκοντα ἐργαζομένων δεσμίων ἀφορῶνται δ' ἐνθένδε τηλαυγῶς αί πυραμίδες ἐν τῆ

περαία εν Μέμφει καί είσι πλησίου.

31. Έγγὺς δὲ καὶ ἡ Μέμφις αὐτή, τὸ βασίλειον τῶν Λίγυπτίων ἔστιγὰρ ἀπὸ τοῦ Δέλτα τρίσχοινον εἰς αὐτήν. ἔχει δὲ ἰερά, τό τε τοῦ ᾿Απιδος, δς ἐστιν ὁ αὐτὸς καὶ ᾿Οσιρις, ὅπου ὁ βοῦς ὁ ᾿Λπιε ἐν σηκῷ τινι τρέφεται, θεός, ὡς ἔφην, νομιζόμενος, διάλεικος τὸ μέτωπον καὶ ἄλλα τινὰ μικρὰ τοῦ σώματος, τᾶλλα δὲ μέλας οἰς σημείοις ἀἰ κρίνουσι τὸν ἐπιτήδειον εἰς τὴν διαδοχήν, ἀπογενομένου τοῦ τὴν τιμὴν ἔχουτος, ἔστι δ' αὐλὴ προκειμένη τοῦ σηκοῦ, ἐν ἢ καὶ ἄλλος σηκὸς τῆς μητρός τοῦ βοός εἰς ταὐτην δὲ τὴν αὐλὴν ἐξαφιᾶσι τὸν ᾿Απιν καθ' ὅραν τινά, καὶ μάλιστα προς ἐπίδειξιν τοῖς ξένοις ὁρῶσι μὲν γὰρ καὶ διὰ θυρίδος ἐν τῷ σηκῷ, βούλουται δὲ καὶ ἔξω ἀποσκιρτήσαντα δ' ἐν αὐτῆ μικρὰ ἀναλαμβάνουσι πάλιν εἰς τὴν οἰκείαν στάστιν.

¹ Strabo's statement is too condise to be clear. He refers to certain Babylonian captives who, being mable to cadure the hard work imposed upon them in Acquist, revolted from the king, seized the stronghold along the river, and gained the concession in question after a successful war (Diodorus Sionlus, 1.56.3).

^{*} é.e. to Babylon.
* The pyramids of Gizeb, described by Herodotus (2, 124 ff.)
and Pliny (36, 16).

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from the kings to build a settlement; 1 but now it is an encampment of one of the three legions that guard Aegypt. There is a ridge extending from the encampment even as far as the Nile, on which the water is conducted up from the river 2 by wheels and screws; and one hundred and fifty prisoners are employed in the work; and from here one can clearly see the pyramids3 on the far side of the

river at Memphis, and they are near to it.4

31. Memphis itself, the royal residence of the Aegyptians, is also near Babylon; for the distance to it from the Delta is only three schoeni.5 It contains temples, one of which is that of Apis, who is the same as Osiris; it is here that the bull Apis is kept in a kind of sanctuary, being regarded, as I have said, as god; his forehead and certain other small parts of his body are marked with white, but the other parts are black; 8 and it is by these marks that they always choose the bull suitable for the succession, when the one that holds the honour has died. In front of the sanctuary is situated a court, in which there is another sanctuary belonging to the bull's mother. Into this court they set Apis loose at a certain hour, particularly that he may be shown to foreigners; for although people can see him through the window in the sanctuary, they wish to see him outside also; but when he has finished a short bout of skipping in the court they take him back again to his familiar stall.

According to Pliny (36. 16) the pyramids were seven and one-half miles (i.e. sixty stadia) from Memphis.

on the "schoenus," see 17. 1. 24.

[&]quot;He is black, and has on his forehead a triangular white spot and on his back the likeness of an eagle" (Herodotus 3. 28). Pliny (8. 71) says, "a crescent-like white spot on the right side."

Τό τε δή τοῦ ᾿Απιδός ἐστιν ἰερόν, παρακείμενον τῷ Ἡφαιστείφ, καὶ αὐτὸ τὸ Ἡφαίστειον πολυτελῶς κατεσκενασμένον ναοῦ τε μεγέθει καὶ τοῖς ἀλλοις. πρόκειται δ΄ ἐν τῷ δρόμῳ καὶ μονόλιθος κολοσσός ἔθος δ΄ ἐστὶν ἐν τῷ δρόμῳ τούτῳ ταύρων ἀγῶνας συντελεῖσθαι πρὸς ἀλλήλους, οῦς ἐπίτηδες τρέφουσί τινες, ώσπερ οἱ ἱπιστριφοι΄ συμβάλλουσι γὰρ εἰς μάχην ἀφέντες, ὁ δὲ κρείττων νομαθεὶς ἄθλου τυγχάνει. ἔστι δ' ἐν Μέμφει καὶ ᾿Αφροδίτης ἱερὸν, θεᾶς Ἑλληνίδος νομιζομένης.

τινές δέ Σελήνης 1 ίερον είναι φασιν.

32. Έστι δὲ καὶ Σαράπιου ἐν ἀμμώδει τόπος σφόδρα, ὡσθ ὑπὰ ἀνέμων θῖνας ἄμμων σωρεύεσθαι, ὑφὰ ὡν αὶ σφίγγες αὶ μὲν καὶ μέχρι κοφαλής ἐωρῶντο ὑφὰ ἡμῶν κατακεχωσμέναι, αὶ δὶ ἡμιφανεῖς ἐξ ὧν εἰκάζειν παρῆν τὸν κίνδυνου, εὶ τῷ βαδίζοντι πρὸς τὸ ἰερὸν λαῖλαψ ἐπιπέσοι. πόλις δ' ἐστὶ μεγάλη τε καὶ εὕανδρος,² δευτέρα μετὰ ᾿Αλεξάνδρειαν, μιγάδων ἀνδρῶν, καθάπερ καὶ τῶν ἐκεῖ συνφκισμένων. πρόκεινται δὲ καὶ λίμναι τῆς πόλεως καὶ τῶν βασιλείων, ὰ νῦν μὲν κατέ-C 808 σπασται καὶ ἐστιν ἔρημα, ἴδρυται δ' ἐφὰ ὕψους καθήκοντα μέχρι τοῦ κάτω τῆς πόλεως ἐδάφους

συνάπτει δ΄ άλσος αὐτῷ καὶ λίμνη. 33. Τετταράκοντα δ΄ ἀπὸ τῆς πόλεως σταδίους

For Σελήνης, Nolt conj. Έλένης, citing Herod. 2. 112.
 εδλενέρες Ε.

Diodorus Siculus refers to "images made of one stone, both of himself (Secostris) and of his wife, thirty cubits high, and of his sons, twenty cubits, in the temple of Hephaestus at Memphis."

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There is here, then, not only the temple of Apis, which lies near the Hephaesteium, but also the Hephaesteium itself, which is a costly structure both in the size of its naos and in all other respects. In front, in the dromus, stands also a colossus made of one stone; ¹ and it is the custom to hold bull-fights in this dromus, and certain men breed these bulls for the purpose, like horse-breeders; for the bulls are set loose and join in combat, and the one that is regarded as victor gets a prize. And at Memphis there is also a temple of Aphrodité, who is considered to be a Greek goddess, ² though some say that it is a temple of Selené. ³

32. There is also a Sarapium at Memphis, in a place so very sandy that dunes of sand are heaped up by the winds; and by these some of the sphinxes which I saw were buried even to the head and others were only half-visible; from which one might guess the danger if a sand-storm should fall upon a man travelling on foot towards the temple. The city is both large and populous, ranks second after Alexandria, and consists of mixed races of people, like those who have settled together at Alexandria. There are lakes situated in front of the city and the palaces, which latter, though now in ruins and deserted, are situated on a height and extend down to the ground of the city below; and adjoining the city are a grove and a lake.

33. On proceeding forty stadia from the city, one

Goddess of the Moon.

Iferodotus (2. 112) refers to the temple of the "Foreign Aphrodite" at Memphis and identifies her with Helen; but see Rawlinson (Vol. II, p. 157, footnote 9), who very plausibly identifies her with Astarte, the Phoenician and Syrian Aphrodite.

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προελθόντι όρεινή τις δφρύς έστιν, έφ' ή πολλαὶ μέν εἰσι πυραμίδες, τάφοι τῶν βασιλέων, τρεῖς δ' ἀξιόλογοι τὰς δὲ δύο τούτων καὶ ἐν τοῖς ἐπτὰ θεάμασι καταριθμοῦνται· εἰσὶ γὰρ σταδιαῖαι τὸ τὸψος, τετράγωνοι τῷ σχήματι, τῆς πλευρᾶς ἐκάστης μικρῷ μεῖζον τὸ ὕψος ἔχουσαι μικρῷ δὲ καὶ ἡ ἐτέρα τῆς ἐτέρας ἐστὶ μείζων· ἔχει δ' ἐν τὸψει μέσως πως ¹ τῶν πλευρῶν λίθον ἐξαιρέσιμον ἀρθέντος δὲ σύριγξ ἐστὶ σκολιὰ μέχρι τῆς

¹ Letrenno conj. µsis after wws; Greskurd, Meineke and others so read.

Cheops. * Khafra.

f.e. "high up, approximately midway" (horizontally)
"between the sides" (the free sides of the triangle which forms the northern face of the pyramid). This is the meaning of the Greek text as it stands; but all editors (from Casaubon down), translators, and archeologists, so far as the present translator knows, either emend the text or misinterpret it, or both (see critical note). Letronne (French translation), who is followed by the later translators, insists upon "moderately" as the meaning of mesus was (translated above by "approximately midway between"), and erroneonaly quotes, as a similar use of whous was, 11. 2. 18, where there is no MS. authority for war, and translates: "Elle a sur ses côtés, et à une élévation médiocre, une pierre qui pout s'ôter." The subsequent editors insert mar ("one") before Tar zheupar ("the sides"); and, following them, even Sir W. M. Flinders Petrie in his monumental work (The Pyramids and Temples of Gizek, p. 168) translates: "The Greater (Pyramid), a little way up one side, has a stone that may be taken out." These interpretations accord with what are known facts; but so does the present interpretation, which also brings out two additional facts of importance: (1) It was hardly necessary for Strabo to state the obvious fact that the stone door was "moderately high up one side" of the pyramid (originally "about 55 feet vertically or 71 feet on the slope," according to a private letter from Petrie,

comes to a kind of mountain-brow; on it are numerous pyramids, the tombs of kings, of which three are noteworthy; and two of these are even numbered among the Seven Wonders of the World, for they are a stadium in height, are quadrangular in shape, and their height is a little greater than the length of each of the sides; and one of them is only a little larger than the other. High up, approximately midway between the sides, it has a movable stone, and when this is raised up there is a sloping

dated Sept. 16, 1930), as compared with the height of the vertex (nearly 500 feet), or that the one door was on one side of the pyramid. What he means to say is that the door was literally high up as compared with the convenient position of an entrance close to the ground, knowing, as he did, that the Aegyptians chose a high position for it in order to keep secret the passage to the royal tombs; and, through his not unusual conciseness in such cases, he leaves the fact to be inferred. The wisdom of that secrecy is disclosed by the fact that when the Arabs, ignorant of the doorway, wished to enter the pyramid, they forced their way into it from a point near the ground through 100 feet of solid masonry, and thus by chance met the original sloping passage and discovered the original doorway. Moreover, this "movable stone," which was either a flap-door that worked on a stone pivot (Petrie L.c.) or a flat slab that was easily tilted up (Borchardt, Aegyptische Zeilschrift, XXXV. 87), must have fitted so nicely when closed that no one unfamiliar with it could distinguish it. (2) "The sides" here must refer to the north-west and north-east edges of the pyramid, not to its northern face-much less all four facesjust as "sides" in the preceding sentence must mean the four sides of the base, not its plane surface. Hence, Strabo means that the doorway was purposely placed to one side of ("actually 24 feet," again according to Petric's letter), and not at, a central point between the two edges abovementioned, which is the fact in the case-a most important part of the ruse, as was later evidenced by the fact that the Arabs began to force their way into the pyramid at the centre (see the "Horizontal Section of the Great Pyramid"

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θήκης. αύται μέν ουν έγγυς άλλήλων είσὶ 1 τω αυτώ επιπέδω άπωτέρω δ' εστίν εν ύψει μείζοιι 2 της δρεινής ή τρίτη πολύ ελάττων των δυείν. πολύ δὲ μείζονος δαπάνης κατεσκευασμένη ἀπὸ γάρ θεμελίων μέχρι μέσου σχεδόν τι μέλανος λίθου έστίν, έξ ου καὶ τὰς θυΐας κατασκευάζουσι, κομίζοντες πόρρωθεν άπο γάρ τῶν τῆς Αἰθιοπίας όρων, και τώ σκληρός είναι και δυσκατέργαστος πολυτελή την πραγματείαν παρέσχε. λέγεται δέ τῆς έταίρας τάφος γεγονώς ὑπὸ τῶν ἐραστῶν, ῆν Σαπφώ μέν, ή τῶν μελῶν ποιήτρια, καλεῖ Δωρίχαν, έρωμένην του άδελφου αυτής Χαράξου γεγονυΐαν, οίνου κατάγουτος είς Ναύκρατιν Λέσβιον κατ έμπορίαν, άλλοι δ' ονομάζουσι 'Ροδώπιν' μυ-θεύουσι δ', ότι, λουομένης αὐτής, ἐν τῶν ὑποδημάτων αυτής άρπάσας άετὸς παρά της θεραπαίνης κομίσειεν είς Μέμφιν καί, του βασιλέως δικαιοδοτούντος ύπαιθρίου, γενόμενος κατά κορυφήν αὐτοῦ ρίψειε τὸ ὑπόδημα εἰς τὸν κόλπον.

² µel(or: moze, µel(ur other MSS.

¹ This passage "sloped steeply down through masonry and solid rock for 318 feet," passing through an unfinished vault

¹ ἐπί, before τφ, Maineke inserts, following Kramer; ἐν, Corais.

Peddinu, Cornia, for 'Pédonu EF, 'Pedénu other MSS.

bradelou, Kramer; ès braides a, braideses other MSS.

in Richard A. Proctor's The Great Pyrawid, opposite p. 138). In short (1) μέσως τως cannot mean "moderately" in a matter of measurement (if indeed it ever means the same as μεγείως) and naturally goes with τών πλευφών, not & δύρες; and in fact some interpreters utterly ignore the των. (2) The insertion of μάχ is not only unnecessary but eliminates two important observations.

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passage to the vault.1 Now these pyramids are near one another and on the same level; but farther on, at a greater height of the hill, is the third, which is much smaller than the two, though constructed at much greater expense; for from the foundations almost to the middle it is made of black stone, the stone from which mortars are made, being brought from a great distance, for it is brought from the mountains of Aethiopia; and because of its being hard and difficult to work into shape it rendered the undertaking very expensive. It is called "Tomb of the Courtesan," having been built by her lovers-the courtesan whom Sappho 2 the Melic poetess calls Doricha, the beloved of Sappho's brother Charaxus, who was engaged in transporting Lesbian wine to Naucratis for sale,3 but others give her the name Rhodopis.4 They tell the fabulous story that, when she was bathing, an eagle snatched one of her sandals from her maid and carried it to Memphis; and while the king was administering justice in the open air, the eagle, when it arrived above his head, flung the sandal into

(subterranean chamber) "40 feet long, 27 feet wide, and 10.6 feet high," and "ended in a cul-de-sao," being "intended to mislead possible riflers of the" royal "tomb" above (Knight, Le.). Petrie's translation of μέχρι τῆς βήκης ("to the very foundations," instead of "to the vault") is at least misleading. In the very next sentence Strabo refers to the "foundations" (βεμελίων). Since Strabo fails to mention the vaults of the king and the queen high above, the natural inference might be that he regarded the subterranean vault as the actual royal tomb; and in that case one might assume that the tombs were rifled, not by Augustus, but before his time, perhaps by the Persians.

Frag. 138 (Bergk) and Lyra Graeca, L.C.L., Vol. I, p.

207 (Edmunds).

So Athenaeus, 13, 68.
 See Herodotus 2, 134-135.

ό δὲ καὶ τῷ ρυθμῷ τοῦ ὑποδήματος καὶ τῷ παραδόξω κινηθείς περιπέμψειεν εἰς τὴν χώραν κατὰ ζήτησιν τῆς φορούσης ἀνθρώπου τοῦτο· εἰρεθεῖσα δ' ἐν τῆ πόλει τῶν Ναυκρατικώ ἀναχθείη καὶ γένοιτο γυνη τοῦ βασιλέως, τελευ-

τήσασα δὲ τοῦ λεχθέντος τύχοι τάφου.

34. "Εν δέ τι τῶν ὁραθέντων ὑφ' ἡμῶν ἐν ταῖς πυραμίσε παραδόξων ούκ άξιον παραλιπείν. έκ γάρ τής λατύπης σωροί τινες πρό τῶν πυραμίδων κεΐνται εν τούτοις δ' ευρίσκεται ψήγματα καὶ τύπφ καὶ μεγέθει φακοειδή ένίοις δὲ καὶ ώς άν πτίσμα οδον ήμιλεπίστων υποτρέχει. 1 φασδ δ' άπολιθωθήναι λείψανα της των έργαζομένων τροφής· οὐκ ἀπέοικε² δέ· καὶ γὰρ οἴκοι παρ' ήμευ λόφος έστιν εν πεδίω παραμήκης, ούτος δ' έστὶ μεστὸς ψήφων φακοειδῶν λίθου πωρείας. ² καὶ αί θαλάττιαι δέ καὶ αί ποτάμιαι ψήφοι σχεδόν τι την αυτήν ἀπορίαν ὑπογράφουσιν' άλλ' αυται μέν C 809 εν τη κινήσει τη διὰ τοῦ ρεύματος εύρεσιλογίαν τινά έχουσιν, έκει δ' άπορωτέρα ή σκέψις. είρηται δ' εν άλλοις και διότι περί το μεταλλον των λίθων, έξ ων αι πυραμίδες γεγόνασιν, έν όψει ταίς πυραμίσιν ον πέραν εν τη 'Αραβία,

For artoure Letronno conj. erfoure.

Τρωικόν τι καλείται πετρώδες ίκανώς όρος και σπήλαια ὑπ' αὐτῷ καὶ κώμη πλησίον καὶ τούτοις καὶ τῷ ποταμῷ, Τροία καλουμένη, κατοικία

66es, Cornis, for 66es; so the later editors.

dwarpdxes s, Cornis following.

^{*}worker, Meincke, for replat DEF, replat other MSS.;

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his lap; and the king, stirred both by the beautiful shape of the sandal and by the strangeness of the occurrence, sent men in all directions into the country in quest of the woman who wore the sandal; and when she was found in the city of Naucratis, she was brought up to Memphis, became the wife of the king, and when she died was honoured with the

above-mentioned tomb.

34. One of the marvellous things I saw at the pyramids should not be omitted : there are heaps of stone chips lying in front of the pyramids; and among these are found chips that are like lentils both in form and size; and under some of the heaps lie winnowings, as it were, as of half-peeled grains. say that what was left of the food of the workmen has petrified; and this is not improbable. Indeed, in my home-country,1 in a plain, there is a long hill which is full of lentil-shaped pebbles of porous stone; 2 and the pebbles both of the seas and of the rivers present about the same puzzling question; but while these latter find an explanation in the motion caused by the current of water, the speculation in that other case is more puzzling. It has been stated elsewhere 3 that in the neighbourhood of the quarry of the stones from which the pyramids are built, which is in sight of the pyramids, on the far side of the river in Arabia, there is a very rocky mountain which is called "Trojan," and that there are caves at the foot of it, and a village near both these and the river which is called Troy, being an ancient settle-

¹ Strabo was born at Amascia in Pontus (Introduction, p.xiv).

² Not in Strabo's Geography; perhaps in his History (see Vol. I, p. 47, note 1). 95

παλαιὰ τῶν Μενελάφ συγκατακολουθησάντων αἰχμαλώτων Τρώων, καταμεινάντων δ' αὐτόθι.

35. Μετά δε Μέμφιν "Ακανθος πόλις όμοίως έν τη Λιβύη καὶ τὸ τοῦ 'Οσίριδος ἰερὸν καὶ τὸ τῆς ἀκάνθης ἄλσος τῆς Θηβαϊκῆς, ἐξ ῆς τὸ κόμμι. είθ' ο 'Αφροδιτοπολίτης νομός καὶ ή όμώνυμος πόλις εν τη 'Αραβία, εν ή λευκή βους ίερα τρέφεται. είθ' ὁ Ἡρακλεωτης νομός ἐν νήσω μεγάλη, καθ' ήν ή διωρύξ έστιν εν δεξιά είς την Λιβύην επί τον 'Αρσινοίτην νομόν, ώστε καί δίστομον είναι την διώρυγα, μεταξύ μέρους τινός της νήσου παρεμπίπτοντος. έστί δ' ό νομός ούτος άξιολογώτατος των άπάντων κατά τε την όψιν και την άρετην και την κατασκευήν έλαιόφυτός τε γάρ μόνος έστὶ μεγάλοις καὶ τελείοις δένδρεσι καὶ καλλικάρποις, εἰ δὲ συγκομίζοι καλώς τις, καὶ εὐέλαιος. όλιγωροῦντες δὲ τούτου πολύ μέν ποιούσιν έλαιον, μοχθηρόν δέ κατά την όδμην (ή δ' άλλη Αίγυπτος άνελαιός έστι πλήν τών κατ' 'Αλεξάνδρειαν κήπων, οδ μέχρι του έλαίαν χορηγείν ίκανοί είσιν, έλαιον δ' ούχ ύπουργούσιν). οίνον τε ούκ ολίγον εκφέρει σίτον τε και όσπρια και τὰ άλλα σπέρματα πάμπολλα. Θαυμαστήν δὲ καὶ τὴν λίμνην ἔχει τὴν Μοίριδος 1 καλουμένην, πελαγίαν τῷ μεγέθει καὶ τῷ χρόα θαλαττοειδῆκαὶ τοὺς αίγιαλοὺς δέ ἐστιν ορᾶν ἐοικότας τοῖς θαλαττίοις: ώς ύπουσεῖν τὰ αὐτὰ περὶ τῶν κατὰ

Molpides Ew, Mospiles other MSS.

¹ So Diodorus Siculus 1, 56, 4,

i.e. gum arabic.

i.e. Mimosa Nilotica.
See § 37 below.

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ment of the captive Trojans who accompanied Meneläus but stayed there.1

35. After Memphis one comes to a city Acanthus, likewise situated in Libya, and to the temple of Osiris and the grove of the Thebaïc acantha,2 from which the gum 3 is obtained. Then to the Aphroditopolite Nome, and to the city of like name in Arabia, where is kept a white cow which is sacred. Then to the Heracleote Nome, on a large island, where, on the right, is the canal which leads into Libya to the Arsinofte Nome, so that the canal has two mouths, a part of the island intervening between the two.4 This Nome is the most noteworthy of all in respect to its appearance, its fertility, and its material development, for it alone is planted with olive trees that are large and full-grown and bear fine fruit, and it would also produce good olive oil if the olives were carefully But since they neglect this matter, although they make much oil, it has a bad smell (the rest of Aegypt has no olive trees, except the gardens near Alexandria, which are sufficient for supplying olives, but furnish no oil). And it produces wine in no small quantity, as well as grain, pulse, and the other seed-plants in very great varieties. It also contains the wonderful lake called the Lake of Moeris, which is an open sea in size and like a sea in colour; and its shores, also, resemble those of a sea, so that one may make the same supposition about this region as about

⁵ In some countries, and generally in Asia, "the olives are beaten down by poles or by shaking the boughs, or even allowed to drop naturally, often lying on the ground until the convenience of the owner admits of their removal; much of the inferior oil owes its bad quality to the carclesaness of the proprietor of the trees" (Eneye. Brit. s.v. "Olive").

"Αμμωνα τόπων καὶ τούτων (καὶ γὰρ αὐδὰ πάμπολυ ἀφεστάσεν ἀλληλων καὶ τοῦ Παραιτονίου),
μὴ ὅσπερ τὸ ἰερὸν ἐκείνο εἰκάζειν ἔστι πρότερον
ἐπὶ τῆ θαλάττη ἱδρῦσθαι διὰ τὸ πλῆθος τῶν
τεκμηρίων, καὶ ταῦθ' ὁμοίως τὰ χωρία πρότερον
ἐπὶ τῆ θαλάττη ὑπῆργεν. ἡ δὰ κάτω Λίγυπτος
καὶ τὰ μέχρι τῆς Χίμνης τῆς Σερβωνίτιδος πέλαγος
ἡν, σύρρουν τυχὸν ἴσως τῆ Ἐρυθρῷ τῆ κατὰ
Ἡρώων πόλιν καὶ τὸν Αιλανίτην ὑμυχόν.

36. Είρηται δὲ περὶ τούτων διὰ πλειόνων έν

τῷ πρώτο ὑπομνήματι τῆς γεωγραφίας, καὶ νῦν δ' έπὶ τοσούτον υπομνηστέον τὸ ² τῆς φύσεως ἄμα και τὸ τῆς προυοίας ἔργου εἰς ἐυ συμφέρουτας. τὸ μέν της φύσεως, ὅτι τῶν πάντων ὑφ' ἐν3 συννευόντων τὸ τοῦ όλου μέσον καὶ σφαιρουμένων 4 περί τοῦτο, τὸ μὲν πυκνότατον καί μεσαί-C 810 τατόν έστιν ή γή, τὸ δ' ήττον τοιούτον καὶ έφεξης το ύδωρ, έκάτερον δε σφαίρα, ή μεν στερεά, ή δὲ κοίλη, ἐντὸς ἔχουσα τὴν γῆν το δὲ τής προυσίας, ότι βεβούληται, και αυτή ποικίλτριά τις ούσα καὶ μυρίων έργων δημιουργός, έν τοις πρώτοις ζώα γεννάν, ώς πολύ διαφέροντα των άλλων, και τούτων τὰ κράτιστα θεούς τε και άνθρώπους, ων ένεκεν καὶ τὰ άλλα συνέστηκε. τοις μέν ούν θεοις ἀπέδειξε τον ουρανόν, τοις δ' άνθρώποις την γην, τὰ ἄκρα τῶν τοῦ κόσμου μερών άκρα δέ της σφαίρας το μέσον καὶ το

¹ Exastray D.

² τό, Corais inserts.

σφαιρουμένων, Cornis, for σφαιρούμενον,

¹ See 16, 2, 30, 4, 4, 4, 18.

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that of Ammon (in fact, Ammon and the Heracleote Nome are not very far distant from one another or from Paraetonium), that, just as from the numerous evidences one may surmise that that temple was in earlier times situated on the sea, so likewise these districts were in earlier times on the sea. And Lower Aegypt and the parts extending as far as Lake Sirbonis were sea—this sea being confluent, perhaps, with the Red Sea in the neighbourhood of

Heroonpolis and the Aclanites 1 Gulf.

36. I have already discussed this subject at greater length in the First Commentary of my Geography,2 but now also I must comment briefly on the work of Nature and at the same time upon that of Providence, since they contribute to one result.3 The work of Nature is this, that all things converge to one thing, the centre of the whole, and form a sphere around this; and the densest and most central thing is the earth, and the thing that is less so and next in order after it is the water: and that each of the two is a sphere, the former solid, the latter hollow, having the earth inside of it. And the work of Providence is this, that being likewise a broiderer, as it were, and artificer of countless works, it has willed, among its first works, to beget living beings, as being much superior to everything else, and among these the most excellent beings, both gods and men, on whose account everything else has been formed. Now to the gods Providence assigned the heavens and to men the earth, which are the extremities of the two parts of the universe; and the two extremities of the sphere are the central part and the outermost

² The reader will remember that Strabo was a Stoic philosopher (1. 2. 3, 34).

έξωτάτω. άλλ' ἐπειδὴ τῆ γῆ περίκειται τὸ ὕδωρ, ούκ έστι δ' ένυδρον ζώον ο άνθρωπος, άλλα χερσαίου καὶ ἐναέριου καὶ πολλοῦ κοινωνικόυ φωτός, ἐποίησεν ἐξοχὰς ἐν τῷ γῷ πολλὰς 1 καὶ εἰσογάς. ωστ' εν αίς μεν ἀπολαμβάνεσθαι το σύμπαν ή καὶ τὸ πλέον ὕδωρ ἀποκρύπτον τὴν ὑπ' αὐτῷ γῆν, ἐν αίς δ' έξέχειν την γην αποκρύπτουσαν υφ' έαυτή το ύδωρ, πλην όσον χρήσιμον τῶ ἀνθρωπείω γένει καὶ τοῖς περὶ αὐτο ζώοις καὶ φυτοῖς. ἐπεὶ δ' εν κινήσει συνεχεί τὰ σύμπαντα καὶ μεταβολαίς μεγάλαις (οὐ γὰρ οἰόν τε ἄλλως τὰ τοιαθτα καί τοσαθτα καί τηλικαθτα έν τώ κόσμω διοκείσθαι), υποληπτέου, μήτε την γην αεί συμμένειν ούτως, ώστ' άεὶ τηλικαύτην είναι μηδέν προστιθείσαν έαυτή μηδ' άφαιρούσαν, μήτε τὸ ύδωρ, μήτε την έδραν έχειν την αυτήν έκάτερου, καὶ ταθτα είς άλληλα φυσικωτάτης ούσης καὶ έγγυτάτω της μεταπτώσεως. άλλα και της γης πολλήν είς ύδωρ μεταβάλλειν, και των υδάτων πολλά χερσοῦσθαι τὸν αὐτὸν τρόπου, ὅνπερ καὶ ἐν τη γή, καθ' ην αὐτην² τοσαῦται διαφοραί· ή μέν γάρ εύθρυπτος, ή δὲ στερεὰ καὶ πετρώδης καὶ σιδηρίτις και ούτως έπι των άλλων. όμοίως δε και έπι της ύγρας ούσίας ή μεν άλμυρίς, ή δε γλυκεία και πότιμος, ή δε φαρμακώδης και σωτήριος καὶ ολέθριος καὶ ψυχρά καὶ θερμή. τί οὖν θαυμαστόν, εἶ τινα μέρη τῆς γῆς, ἃ νῦν οίκείται, θαλάττη πρότερου κατείχετο, τὰ δὲ νθν

¹ πολλάς, Τεθολικός, for πολλοίς. 2 καθ' ήν αὐτήν, Gronkurd, for καθ' έπυτήν.

part. But since water surrounds the earth, and man is not an aquatic animal, but a land animal that needs air and requires much light, Providence has made numerous elevations and hollows on the earth, so that the whole, or the most, of the water is received in the hollows, hiding the earth beneath it, and the earth projects in the elevations, hiding the water beneath itself, except so much of the latter as is useful for the human race, as also for the animals and plants round it. But since all things are continually in motion and undergo great changes (for it is not possible otherwise for things of this kind and number and size in the universe to be regulated), we must take it for granted, first, that the earth is not always so constant that it is always of this or that size, adding nothing to itself nor subtracting anything, and, secondly, that the water is not, and, thirdly, that neither of the two keeps the same fixed place, especially since the reciprocal change of one into the other is most natural and very near at hand; and also that much of the earth changes into water, and many of the waters become dry land in the same manner as on the earth, where also so many variations take place; for one kind of earth crumbles easily and others are solid, or rocky, or contain iron ore, and so with the rest. And the case is the same with the properties of liquids: one water is salty, another sweet and potable, and others contain drugs, salutary or deadly, or are hot or cold. Why, then, is it marvellous if some parts of the earth which are at present inhabited were covered with sea in earlier times, and

¹ Heaven is the outermost periphery, in which is situated everything that is divine (Poscidonius, quoted by Diogenes Laërbius, 7, 138).

πελάγη πρότερου φκείτο; καθάπερ καὶ πηγάς τὰς πρότερου έκλιπεῖν συνέβη, τὰς δ' ἀνεῖσθαι, καὶ ποταμούς καὶ λίμνας, οῦτω δὰ καὶ ὅρη καὶ πεδία εἰς ἄλληλα μεταπίπτειν περὶ ὄν καὶ πρότερου εἰρήκαμεν πολλά, καὶ νῦν εἰρήσθω.

37. Ἡ δ' οῦν Μοίριδος ² λίμνη διὰ τὸ μέγεθος

και το βάθος ίκανη έστι κατά τας άναβάσεις την πλημμυρίδα φέρειν και μη ύπερπολάζειν είς τα ολκούμενα και πεφυτευμένα, είτα έν τη άπο-C 811 βάσει το πλεονάζον ἀποδούσα τῆ αὐτῆ διώρυγι κατὰ θάτερον τῶν στομάτων έχειν ὑπολειπόμενον τὸ χρήσιμου πρὸς τὰς ἐποχετείας καὶ αὐτή καὶ ή διώρυξ. ταθτα μέν φυσικά, επίκειται δε τοῦς στόμασιν άμφοτέροις της διώρυγος κλείθρα, οίς ταμιεύουσιν οι άρχιτέκτονες τό τε είσρέον ύδωρ καί τὸ ἐκρέου. πρός δὲ τούτοις ή τοῦ λαβυρίνθου κατασκευή πάρισον ταῖς πυραμίσιν έστὶν έργον καὶ ὁ παρακείμενος τάφος τοῦ κατασκευάσαντος βασιλέως του λαβύρινθου. έστι δὲ κατὰ 4 του πρώτου εἴσπλουν τὸν εἰς τὴν διώρυγα προελθόντι δσον τριάκοντα ή τετταράκοντα σταδίους ἐπίπεδόν τι τραπεζώδες χωρίου, έχου κώμην τε καὶ βασίλειου μέγα έκ πολλών βασιλείων, δοσοι πρότερον ήσαν νομοί· τοσαθται γάρ είσιν αὐλαὶ περίστυλοι, συνεχεῖς ἀλλήλαις, εφ' ένα στίχον πάσαι καὶ ἐφ' ἐνὸς τοίχου, ὡς ἄν τείχους μακροῦ ε προκειμένας έχουτος ⁷ τὰς αὐλάς· αί δ' είς αὐτὰς

¹ sal vàs wayds Dà. 1 Mospiles Dhimosous.

All MSS. except E read το after κατά.

δὸ κατά Ε, δὸ τὸ κατά DFh, δὸ τῷ κατά other MSS.

βασιλείων, Corais, for βασιλέων. μακρού, Corais, for μικρού.

fxorres, Corais, for exerres.

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if what are now seas were inhabited in earlier times? Just as fountains of carlier times have given out and others have sprung forth, and rivers and lakes, so also mountains and plains have changed one into another. But I have discussed this subject at length before,1

and now let this suffice.

37. Be this as it may, the Lake of Moeris,2 on account of its size and its depth, is sufficient to hear the flood-tides at the risings of the Nile and not overflow into the inhabited and planted parts, and then, in the retirement of the river, to return the excess water to the river by the same canal at each of its two mouths 3 and, both itself and the canal, to keep back an amount remaining that will be useful for irrigation. While these conditions are the work of nature, yet locks have been placed at both mouths of the canal, by which the engineers i regulate both the inflow and the outflow of the water. In addition to the things mentioned, this Nome has the Labyrinth. which is a work comparable to the pyramids, and, near it, the tomb of the king who built the Labyrinth.5 Near the first entrance to the canal, and on proceeding thence about thirty or forty stadia, one comes to a flat, trapezium-shaped place, which has a village, and also a great palace composed of many palaces-as many in number as there were Nomes in earlier times; for this is the number of courts, surrounded by colonnades, continuous with one another, all in a single row and along one wall, the structure being as it were a long wall with the courts in front of it; and the

4 Sec 17, 1, 3,

On this lake, cp. Herodotus 2. 149. 1 1. 3. 4. 12-15.

⁴ Literally, "architects" Co. § 35 above. On this Labyrinth, ep. Herodotus 2, 148, Diederes Siculey 66. 3, and Pliny 36. 19.

όδοι καταυτικρύ του τείχους είσί. πρόκεινται δὲ τών είσόδων κρυπταί τίνες μακραί και πολλαί, δι' άλλήλων έχουσαι σκολιάς τὰς όδούς, ὥστε χωρίς ήγεμόνος μηδενί των ξένων είναι δυνατήν την eis έκάστην αύλην πάροδόν το καὶ έξοδον. το δε θαυμαστόν, ότι αἱ στέγαι τῶν οἴκων ἐκάστου μονόλιθοι, 1 καὶ τῶν κρυπτῶν τὰ πλάτη μονολίθοις ώσαύτως ἐστέγασται πλαξίν, ὑπερβαλλούσαις τὸ μέγεθος, ξύλων οὐδαμοῦ καταμεμιγμένων οὐδ' άλλης ύλης οὐδεμιᾶς, ἀναβάντα τε² ἐπὶ τὸ στέγος, ου μεγάλω τηνει, ατε μονοστέγω, έστιν ίδεω πεδίου λίθινου έκ τηλικούτων λίθων, έντεῦθεν δὲ πάλεν είς τὰς αὐλὰς ἐκπίπτοντα εξής όρῶν κειμένας ύπὸ μουολίθων κιόνων ύπηρεισμένας έπτὰ καὶ εἴκοσι καὶ οἱ τοῦχοι δὲ οὐκ ἐξ έλαττόνων τῷ μεγέθει λίθων σύγκεινται. ἐπὶ τέλει δε της οικοδομίας ταύτης πλέου ή στάδιου έπεχούσης δ τάφος έστί, πυραμίς τετράγωνος, εκάστην τετράπλεθρόν πως έχουσα την πλευράν καὶ τὸ ἴσον ύψος. Ἰμάνδης δό ὄνομα ὁ ταφείς. πεποιήσθαι δέ φασι τὰς αὐλὰς τοσαύτας, ὅτι τούς νομούς έθος ην έκεισε συνέρχεσθαι πάντας άριστίνδην? μετά των οἰκείων ἰερέων καὶ ἰερειών, θυσίας τε καὶ θεοδοσίας καὶ δικαιοδοσίας δ περί

For επέπτοντα. Letronne conj. επέπτοντα, Kramer εΙσβλέποντα.

¹ μενόλιθοι D, μενελίθου F, μενελίθω other MSS. 2 All MSS, except E read έστι after τε.

Müller-Dülmer, following conj. of Meineke, emend plys to payday. One would expect to before the ob.

ἐτεχούσης, Corais, for ἀτεχούσης.
 Ἰμάνδης, Meineke and Müller-Dübner, for Ἰσμάνδης MSS.,
 Μαίνδης Ερίτ. (οp. Ἰσμάνδης § 42 below).

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roads leading into them are exactly opposite the wall. In front of the entrances are crypts, as it were, which are long and numerous and have winding passages communicating with one another, so that no stranger can find his way either into any court or out of it without a guide. But the marvellous thing is that the roof of each of the chambers consists of a single stone, and that the breadths of the crypts are likewise roofed with single slabs of surpassing size, with no intermixture anywhere of timber or of any other And, on ascending to the roof, which is at no great height, inasmuch as the Labyrinth has only one story, one can see a plain of stone, consisting of stones of that great size; and thence, descending out into the courts again, one can see that they lie in a row and are each supported by twenty-seven monolithic pillars; and their walls, also, are composed of stones that are no smaller in size. At the end of this building, which occupies more than a stadium, is the tomb, a quadrangular pyramid, which has sides about four plethra in width and a height equal thereto. Imandes 1 is the name of the man buried there. It is said that this number of courts was built because it was the custom for all the Nomes to assemble there in accordance with their rank, together with their own priests and priestesses, for the sake of sacrifice and of offering gifts to the gods and of administering

¹ Perhaps an error for "Mandes." The name is spelled Ismandes in §42 below. Diodorus says "Mendes, whom some give the name Marrus." The real builder was Maindes, or Amon-em-hat III, of the twelfth dynasty (Sayoe, The Egypt of the Hibreure, p. 281).

ἐριστίνδην, Tyrwhitt, for ἄριστον δ' ἢν.
 καὶ ἔκαιοδοσίας, suspected by Corais and Müller-Dübner.

τῶν μεγίστων χάριν. κατήγετο δὲ τῶν νομῶν ἔκαστος εἰς τὴν ἀποδειχθεῖσαν αὐλὴν αὐτῷ. 38. Παραπλεύσαντι δὲ ταῦτα ἐφ' ἐκατὸν στα-

δίους πόλις έστὶν 'Αρσινόη, Κροκοδείλων δὲ πόλις έκαλεῖτο πρότερον' σφρόδρα γὰρ ἐν τῷ νομῷ τούτω τιμώσι του κροκόδειλου, καί έστιν ίερος παρ αύτοις εν λίμνη καθ' αύτον τρεφόμενος, χειροήθης τοις Ιερεύσι. καλείται δὲ Σούχος τρέφεται δὲ σιτίοις καλ κρέασι καλ οίνω, προσφερόντων άελ των Ο 812 ξένων των έπὶ τὴν θέαν ἀφικνουμένων. ὁ γοῦν ἡμέτερος ξένος, άνηρ τῶν ἐντίμων, αὐτόθι μυσταγωγῶν ήμας, συνήλθεν έπὶ τὴν λίμνην, κομίζων ἀπὸ τοῦ δείπνου πλακουντάριον 1 τι και κρέας οπτον και προχοίδιον τι μελικράτου. εύρομεν δὲ ἐπὶ τῶ γείλει κείμενον το θηρίον προσιόντες δε οι ίερείς, οί μέν διέστησαν αύτου το στόμα, ο δε ενέθηκε το πέμμα, και πάλιν το κρέας, είτα το μελίκρατον κατήρασε. καθαλόμενος δὲ εἰς τὴν λίμνην διήξεν είς το πέραν· ἐπελθώντος δὲ καὶ ἄλλου τῶν ξένων, κομίζουτος όμοίως ἀπαρχήν, λαβόντες περιήλθου δρόμω και καταλαβόντες προσήνεγκαν όμοίως τὰ προσενενθέντα.

39. Μετὰ δὲ τὸν 'Αρσινοῖτην καὶ τὸν 'Ηρακλεωτικὸν νομὸν 'Ηρακλέους πόλις, ἐν ἢ ὁ ἰχνεύμων τιμάται ὑπεναντίως τοῖς 'Αρσινοῖταις οἱ μὲν γὰρ τοὺς κροκοδείλους τιμώσι, καὶ διὰ τοῦτο ἢ τε

* sai, Letronne emends to sará, Groskurd to sal sará.

¹ For proposed restorations of the Labyrinth, see the Latronne Edition, and Petrie (The Labyrinth, Gerzeh, and 106

justice in matters of the greatest importance. And each of the Nomes was conducted to the court

appointed to it.1

38. Sailing along shore for a distance of one hundred stadia, one comes to the city Arsinoe, which in earlier times was called Crocodcilonpolis; for the people in this Nome hold in very great honour the crocodile, and there is a sacred one there which is kept and fed by itself in a lake, and is tame to the priests. It is called Suchus; and it is fed on grain and pieces of meat and on wine, which are always being fed to it by the foreigners who go to see it. At any rate, our host, one of the officials, who was introducing us into the mysteries there, went with us to the lake, carrying from the dinner a kind of cooky and some roasted meat and a pitcher of wine mixed with honey. We found the animal lying on the edge of the lake; and when the priests went up to it, some of them opened its mouth and another put in the cake, and again the meat, and then poured down the honey mixture. The animal then leaped into the lake and rushed across to the far side; but when another foreigner arrived, likewise carrying an offering of first-fruits, the priests took it, went around the lake in a run, took hold of the animal, and in the same manner fed it what had been brought.

39. After the Arsinoite and Heraeleotic Nomes, one comes to a City of Heraeles, where the people hold in honour the lehneumon, the very opposite of the practice of the Arsinoitae; for whereas the latter hold the crocodile in honour—and on this account

Marghanch, p. 28), and Myres (Annals of Archaeology and Anthropology, III, 134).

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διδρυξ αὐτῶν ἐστι μεστή τῶν κροκοδείλων καὶ ή τοῦ Μοίριδος λίμνη σέβωνται γὰρ καὶ ἀπέχονται αὐτῶν οἱ δὲ τοὺς ἰχνεύμονας τοὺς δλεθριωτάτους τοῖς κροκοδείλως, καθάπερ καὶ ταῖς ἀσπίσι καὶ γὰρ τὰ ὁὰ διαφθείρωντιν αὐτῶν καὶ αὐτὰ τὰ θηρία, τῷ πηλῷ θωρακισθέντες κυλισθέντες γὰρ ἐν αὐτῷ ξηραίνονται πρὸς τὸν ῆλιον, εἰτα τὰς ἀσπίδας μὲν ἡ τῆς κεφαλῆς ἡ τῆς οὐρᾶς λαβόμενοι κατασπώσιν εἰς τὸν ποτομὸν καὶ διαφθείρουσι τοὺς δὲ κροκοδείλους ἐνεδρεύσαντες, ἡνίκ ἀν ἡλιάζωνται κεχηνότες, ἐμπίπτουσιν εἰς τὰ χάσματα καὶ διαφαγόντες τὰ σπλάγχνα καὶ τὰς γαστέρας ἐκδύνουσιν ἐκ νεκρῶν τῶν σωμάτων.

40. Έξης δ' ἐστὶν ὁ Κυνοπολίτης νομὸς καὶ Κυνῶν πόλις, ἐν ἢ ὁ 'Λνουβις τιμᾶται καὶ τοῖς κυσὶ τιμὴ καὶ σίτισις τέτακταί τις ἰερά. ἐν δὲ τῆ περαία 'Οξύρυγχος πόλις καὶ νομὸς ὁμώνυμος, τιμῶστι δὲ τὸν ὁξύρυγχον καὶ ἔστιν αὐτοῖς ἰερὸν 'Οξυρύγχου, καίτοι καὶ τῶν ἄλλων Λίγυπτίων κοινὴ τιμῶστων τὸν ὁξύρυγχον, τικὰ μὲν γὰρ τῶν ζώων ἄπαντες κοινὴ τιμῶστω Αἰγύπτιοι, καθάπερ τῶν μὲν πεζῶν τρία, βοῦν, κύνα, αἴλουρον, τῶν δὲ πτηνῶν δύο, ἰέρακα καὶ ἰβιν, τῶν δ' ἐνύδρων δύο, λεπιδωτόν ἰχθὺν καὶ ὀξύρυγχον ἄλλα δ' ἔστιν, ἃ τιμῶσι καὶ ἐαυτοὺς ἔκαστοι, καθάπερ Σαἷται πρόβατον καὶ θηβαῖται, λάτον δὲ τῶν ἐν τῷ Νείλφ τινὰ ἰχθὺν Λατοπο-

Melpeler, Xylander, for Melpeles.

So in § 44 below.

"City of Dogs."

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both their canal and the Lake of Moeris are full of crocodiles, for the people revere them and abstain from harming them 1-the former hold in honour the ichneumons, which are the deadliest enemies of the crocodile, as also of the asp; for they destroy, not only the eggs of the asps, but also the asps themselves, having armed themselves with a breastplate of mud; for they first roll themselves in mud, make it dry in the sun, and then, seizing the asps by either the head or the tail, drag them down into the river and kill them; and as for the crocodiles, the ichneumons lie in wait for them, and when the crocodiles are basking in the sun with their mouths open the ichneumons throw themselves into their open jaws, cat through their entrails and bellies, and emerge from their dead bodies.

40. One comes next to the Cynopolite Nome, and to Cynonpolis,2 where Anubis is held in honour and where a form of worship and sacred feeding has been organised for all dogs. On the far side of the river lie the city Oxyrynchus and a Nome bearing the same name. They hold in honour the oxyrynchus2 and have a temple sacred to Oxyrynchus, though the other Aegyptians in common also hold in honour the oxyrynchus. In fact, certain animals are worshipped by all Aegyptians in common, as, for example, three land animals, bull and dog and cat, and two birds, hawk and ibis, and two aquatics, scale-fish and oxyrynchus, but there are other animals which are honoured by separate groups independently of the rest, as, for example, a sheep by the Sartae and also by the Thebans; a latus, a fish of the Nile, by

^{*} i.e. "sharp-enouted" (fish). A species of fish like our pike.

λίται, λύκον τε Λυκοπολίται, κυνοκέφαλον δὲ Έρμοπολίται, κήβον δὲ Βαβυλώνιοι οἱ κατὰ Μέμφιν ἔστι δ' ὁ κήβος τὸ μὲν πρόσωπον ἐοικώς σατύρω, τάλλα δὲ κυνός καὶ ἄρκτον μεταξύ, γεννάται δ' ἐν Λίθιοπία ἀετὸν δὲ C 813 Θηβαίοι, λέοντα δὲ Λεοντοπολίται, αίγα δὲ καὶ τούρου Μεκδήσιοι μεταλοῦ ἐλ λθευθέται. Σὸ σούρου Μεκδήσιοι μεταλοῦ ἐλ λθευθέται. Σὸ πούρου Μεκδήσιου μεταλοῦ ἐλ λθευθέται. Σὸ πούρου Μεκδήσιου μεταλοῦ ἐλ λθευθέται. Σὸ πούρου Μεκδήσιου μεταλοῦ ἐλ δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου Μεκδήσιου μεταλοῦ ἐλ δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου Μεκδήσιου μεταλοῦ ἐλ δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου Μεκδήσιου μεταλοῦ ἐν δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου Μεκδήσιου μεταλοῦ ἐν δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου Μεκδήσιου μεταλοῦ ἐν δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου δευθέται και δευθέται δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου δευθέται και δευθέται δευθέται. Τὸ πούρου δευθέται δευθ

τράγον Μενδήσιοι, μυγαλήν δὲ 'Αθριβῖται, ἄλλοι δ' άλλο τι· τὰς δ' αἰτίας οὐχ ὁμολογουμένας

λέγουσιν.

41. Έξης δ' ἐστὶν 'Ερμοπολιτική φυλακή, τελώνιόν τι τῶν ἐκ τῆς Θηβαίδος καταφερομένων ἐντεῦθεν ἀρχή τῶν ἐξηκοντασταδίων σχοίνων, ἔως Συήνης καὶ Ἑλεφαντίνης εἰτα ή Θηβαϊκή φυλακή καὶ διῶρυξ φέρουσα ἐπὶ Τάνινεἰτα Λύκων πόλις καὶ 'Λφροδίτης καὶ Πανῶν πόλις, λινουργῶν καὶ λιθουργῶν κατοικία παλαιά.

42. "Επειτα Πτολεμαϊκή πόλις, μεγίστη τῶν ἐν τῆ Θηβαίδι καὶ οὐκ ἐλάττων Μέμφεως, ἔχουσα καὶ σύστημα πολιτικὸν ἐν τῷ "Ελληνικῷ τρόπῳ, ὑπὲρ δὲ ταύτης ἡ 'Αβυδος, ἐν ἢ τὸ Μεμνόνιον, βασίλειον θαυμαστῶς κατεσκευασμένον όλολιθον ¹ τῷ αὐτῆ κατασκευῆς, ἡπερ τὸν λαβύρινθον ἔφαμεν, οὐ πολλαπλοῦν δὲ καὶ κρίψη ἐν βάθει κειμένη, ώστε καταβαίνειν εἰς αὐτὴν διὰ κατακαμφθεισῶν ² ψαλίδων μονολίθων ὑπερβαλλουσῶν τῷ μεγέθει

1 δλόλιθον, omitted by E.

See 16. 4. 16 and footnote.

κατακαμφθεισών (nec Diodorus Siculus 2. 9), Corais, for κατακαμφθείνων. For conjectures, see Kramer.

i.e. the Aegyptian jackal (Camis Impaster).

i.e. the dog faced baboon (Simin hamadryas).

the Latopolitae; a hyens hy the Lycopolitae; a comocephalus by the Hermopolitae; a cobus by the Babylonians who live near Memphis (the cobus has a face like a satyr, is between a dog and a bear in other respects, and is bred in Aethiopia); an eagle by the Thelans; a lion by the Leontopolitae; a female and male goat by the Mendesians; a shrowmouse by the Athribitae, and other animals by other peoples; but the reasons which they give for such worship are not in agreement.

41. One comes next to the Hermopolitic garrison, a kind of toll-station for goods brought down from the Thebais; here begins the reckoning of schooning at sixty stadia, 5 extending as far as Syené and Elephantine; and then to the Thebaie garrison and the canal that leads to Tanis; and then to Lycopolis and to Aphroditopolis and to Panepolis, an old settlement of linen-workers and stone-workers.

42. Then one comes to the city of Ptolemaïs, which is the largest of the cities in the Thebaïs, is no smaller than Memphis, and has also a form of government modelled on that of the Greeks. Above this city lies Abydus, where is the Memnonium, a royal building, which is a remarkable structure built of solid stone, and of the same workmanship as that which I ascribed to the Labyrinth, though not multiplex; and also a fountain a which lies at a great depth, so that one descends to it down vaulted galleries made of monoliths of surpassing size and

⁴ Mus araneus.

See § 24 above, and 11. 11. 5.

Known as "Strabo's Well." See Petrie, The Osireion at Abyston, p. 2; and Naville, The Tomb of Osiris, London Times, March 6 and 17, 1914.

καὶ τῆ κατασκευῆ. ἔστι δὲ διῶρυξ ἄγουσα ἐπὶ τὸν τόπον ἀπὸ τοῦ μεγάλου ποταμοῦ. περὶ δὲ την διώρυγα άκανθών Αίγυπτίων άλσος ζστίν ίερου του Απόλλωνος. Εσικε δε υπάρξαι ποτε ή Αβυδος πόλις μεγάλη, δευτερεύουσα μετά τὰς Θήβας, νυνὶ δ' έστὶ κατοικία μικρά εἰ δ', ως φασιν, ο Μέμνων ύπο των Αλγυπτίων Ισμάνδης 1 λέγεται, καὶ ὁ λαβύρινθος Μεμνόνιον ἄν εἴη καὶ του αύτου έργον, ούπερ και τὰ ἐν ᾿Αβύδω και τὰ έν Θήβαις και γάρ έκει λέγεται τινα Μεμνόνια. κατά δὲ τὴν "Αβυδόν ἐστιν ἡ πρώτη αδασις ἐκ τών λεχθεισών τριών έν τἢ Λιβύη, διέχουσα όδον ήμερων έπτα ενθένδε δι ερημίας, ευυδρός τε κατοικία καὶ εύοινος καὶ τοῖς ἄλλοις ίκανή. δευτέρα δ' ή κατά την Μοίριδος 2 λίμνην τρίτη δὲ ή κατὰ τὸ μαντείου τὸ ἐν "Αμμωνι" καὶ αὐται δὲ κατοικίαι εἰσὶν ἀξιόλογοι.

43. Πολλὰ δ' εἰρηκότες περὶ τοῦ "Αμμωνος τοσοῦτον εἰπεῖν βουλόμεθα, ὅτι τοῖς ἀρχαίοις μᾶλλον ἡν τιμῆ καὶ ἡ μαντικὴ καθόλου καὶ τὰ χοηστήρια, νυνὶ δ' ὁλυγωρία κατέχει πολλή, τῶν Ρωμαίων ἀρκουμένων τοῖς Σιβύλλης χρησμοῖς καὶ τοῖς Τυρρηνικοῖς θεαπροπίοις διά τε σπλάγχνων καὶ ὁρυιθείας καὶ διοσημιών. Βιόπερ καὶ τὸ ἐν "Αμμωνι σχεδόν τι ἐκλέλεπται χρηστήριον, πρότερον δὲ ἐτετέμητο. δηλοῦσι δὲ μιίλιστα τοῦτο οἱ τὰς 'Αλεξάνδρου πράξεις ἀναγράψαιτες,

Iµárêns F, 'Iµárêns zz, Márêns to (cp. 'Iµárêns 17. 1. 37).
 Molados E. Moóstêos other MSS.

² Siernman, Cornis, for Singnueiur,

¹ Spelled "Imandes" in § 37 above (see footnote there).

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workmanship. There is a canal leading to the place from the great river; and in the neighbourhood of the canal is a grove of Acgyptian acaulha, sacred to Apollo. Abydus appears once to have been a great city, second only to Thebes, but it is now only a small settlement. But if, as they say, Memnon is called Ismandes 1 by the Acgyptians, the Labyrinth might also be a Memnonium and a work of the same man who built both the Memnonia in Abydus and those in Thebes; for it is said that there are also some Memnonia in Thebes. Opposite Abydus is the first of the above-mentioned three cases in Libya; it is a seven days' journey distant from Abydus through a desert; and it is a settlement which abounds in water and in wine, and is sufficiently supplied with other things. The second oasis is that in the neighbourhood of the Lake of Moeris; and the third is that in the neighbourhood of the oracle in Ammon; and these, also, are noteworthy settlements.

43. Now that I have already said much about Ammon,² I wish to add only this: Among the ancients both divination in general and oracles were held in greater honour, but now great neglect of them prevails, since the Romans are satisfied with the oracles of Sibylla, and with the Tyrrhenian prophecies obtained by means of the entrails of animals, flight of birds, and omens from the sky; and on this account, also, the oracle at Ammon has been almost abandoned, though it was held in honour in earlier times; and this fact is most clearly shown by those who have recorded the deeds of Alexander, since,

See references in Index.

προστιθέντες μέν πολύ και το της κολακείας είδος, εμφαίνοντες δέ τι 1 καὶ πίστεως άξιον. ό C 814 γοῦν Καλλισθένης φησὶ τὸν 'Αλέξανδρον φιλοδοξήσαι μάλιστα άνελθείν έπὶ τὸ χρηστήριου, έπειδή και Περσέα ήκουσε² πρότερον άναβήναι καὶ Ἡρακλέα ὁρμήσαντα δ' ἐκ Παραιτονίου, καίπερ νότων έπιπεσόντων, βιάσασθαι· πλανώμενον δ' ύπὸ τοῦ κονιορτοῦ σωθήναι, γενομένων δμβρων καὶ δυείν κοράκων ήγησαμένων την όδον, ήδη τούτων κολακευτικώς λεγομένων τοιαυτα δέ καὶ τὰ έξης. μόνω γὰρ δή τῶ βασιλεί τὸν ἰερέα έπιτρέψαι παρελθείν είς τον νεω μετά της συνήθους στολής, τους δ' άλλους μετενδύναι την έσθητα, έξωθέν τε της θεμιστείας ακροάσασθαι πάντας πλην 'Αλεξάνδρου, τοῦτον δ' ἔνδοθεν είναι δè 3 ούχ ώσπερ ἐν Δελφοῖς καὶ Βραγχίδαις τὰς ἀποθεσπίσεις διὰ λόγων, άλλὰ νεύμασι καὶ συμβόλοις τὸ πλέον, ώς καὶ παρ' 'Ομήρω,

ή και κυανέησιν επ' όφρύσι νεθσε Κρονίων,

τοῦ προφήτου τὸν Δία ὑποκριναμένου τοῦτο μέντοι ρητῶς εἰπεῖν τὸν ἄνθρωπον πρὸς τὸν βασιλέα, ὅτι εἰη Διὸς υἰός. προστραγφδεῖ δὲ τούτοις ὁ Καλλισθένης, ὅτι τοῦ ἸΑπόλλωνος τὸ ἐκ Βραγχίδαις μαντεῖον ἐκλελοιπότος, ἐξ ὅτον τὸ ἰερὸν ὑπὸ τῶν Βραγχιδῶν σεσύλητο ἐπὶ Ξέρξου περσισάντων, ἐκλελοιπυίας δὲ καὶ τῆς κρήνης, τότε ἡ τε κρήνη ἀνάσχοι καὶ μαντεῖα πολλὸ οἰ

 ³d τι, the editors, for δ' ἔτι x, δ' ὅτι other MSS.
 \$ ξκους DF.
 3d, Meineke inserta.

¹ Op. 2. 1. 5, 11. 6. 4, 15. 1. 21, 28.

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although they add numerous forms of mere flattery,1 yet they do indicate some things that are worthy of belief. At any rate, Callisthenes says that Alexander conceived a very great ambition to go inland to the oracle, since he had heard that Perseus, as also Heracles, had done so in earlier times; and that he started from Paraetonium, although the south winds had set in, and forced his way; and that when he lost his way because of the thick dust, he was saved by rainfalls and by the guidance of two crows. But this last assertion is flattery and so are the next: that the priest permitted the king alone to pass into the temple in his usual dress, but the rest changed their clothes; that all heard the oracles from outside except Alexander, but he inside; that the oracular responses were not, as at Delphi and among the Branchidae,2 given in words, but mostly by nods and tokens, as in Homer,3 "Cronion spoke and nodded assent with his dark brows "-the prophet having assumed the rôle of Zeus; that, however, the fellow expressly told the king that he, Alexander, was son of Zeus. And to this statement Callisthenes dramatically adds that,4 although the oracle of Apollo among the Branchidae had ceased to speak from the time the temple had been robbed by the Branchidae. who sided with the Persians in the time of Xerxes, 5 and although the spring also had ceased to flow, yet at Alexander's arrival the spring began to flow again and that many oracles were carried by the Milesian

4 11. 11. 4.

^{*} i.e. at Didyma, near Miletus (14. 1. 5).

Mind 1. 528.
Literally, "although Apollo had desorted the oracle among the Branchidae."

Μιλησίων πρέσβεις κομίσαιεν εἰς Μέμφιν περί τῆς ἐκ Διὸς γενέσεως τοῦ ἀλλεξάνδρου καὶ τῆς ἐσομένης περὶ ἀρβηλα νίκης καὶ τοῦ Δαρείου θανάτου καὶ τῶν ἐν Λακεδαίμονι νεωτερισμῶν. περὶ δὲ τῆς εὐγενείας καὶ τῆν Ἐρυθραίαν ἀθηναίδα φησὶν ἀνειπεῖν καὶ γὰρ ταὐτην ὁμοίαν γενέσθαι τῆ παλαιᾶ Σιβύλλη τῆ Ἐρυθραία. τὰ

μέν δή τῶν συγγραφέων τοιαθτα.

44. Έν δὲ τῆ Αβύδω τιμῶσι τὸν "Οσιριν ἐν δὲ τῷ ἰερῷ τοῦ 'Οσίριδος οὐκ ἔξεστιν ούτε ώδὸν ούτε αυλητήν ούτε ψάλτην απάρχεσθαι τω θεώ, καθάπερ τοῦς ἄλλοις θεοῦς ἔθος, μετὰ δὰ την Αβυδον Διὸς πόλις ή μικρά, είτα Τέντυρα πόλιςένταθθα δὲ διαφερύντως παρὰ τοὺς ἄλλους Αλγυπτίους ὁ κροκόδειλος ήτίμωται καὶ ἔχθιστος των απάντων θηρίων νενόμισται, οί μεν γαρ άλλοι, καίπερ είδότες την κακίαν του ζώου, καί ώς ολέθριον τω άνθρωπίνω γένει, σέβονται όμως καὶ ἀπέχονται ούτοι δὲ πάντα τρόπον ἀνιχνεύουσι καὶ ἐκφθείρουσιν 3 αὐτούς. ἔνιοι δ' ώσπερ τους Ψύλλους φασί τους πρός τῆ Κυρηναία φυσικήν τινα αντιπάθειαν έχειν πρός τὰ έρπετά, ούτω καὶ τοὺς Τεντυρίτας πρός τοὺς κροκοδείλους, ώστε μηδέν ύπ' αύτων πάσχειν, άλλα και κολυμβάν άδεως καί διαπεράν, μηδενός άλλου θαρρούντος, είς τε την 'Ρώμην κομισθείσι τοίς C 815 κροκοδείλοις ἐπιδείξεως χάριν συνηκολούθουν οί Τεντυρίται γενομένης τε δεξαμενής και πήγματός τινος ύπερ μιᾶς τῶν πλευρῶν, ώστε τοῖς θηρίοις

¹ κομίσειεν, Casanbon, for κομισθέντες.
2 Meineke conj. διογενείας οτ θεογενείας.

b experience DF, Supple powers other MSS.

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ambassadors to Memphis concerning Alexander's descent from Zeus, his future victory in the neighbourhood of Arbela, the death of Dareius, and the revolutionary attempts in Lacedaemon. And he says that the Erythraean Athenaïs 1 also gave out an utterance concerning Alexander's high descent; for, he adds, this woman was like the ancient Erythraean Sibylla.

Such, then, are the accounts of the historians.

44. At Abydus they hold in honour Osiris; and in the temple of Osiris 2 neither singer nor flute-player nor harp-player is permitted to begin the rites in honour of the god, as is the custom in the case of the other gods. After Abydus one comes to the Little Diospolis, and to the city Tentyra, where the people, as compared with the other Aegyptians, hold in particular dishonour the crocodile and deem it the most hateful of all animals. For although the others know the malice of the animal and how destructive it is to the human race, still they revere it and abstain from harming it, whereas the Tentyritae track them and destroy them in every way. Some say that, just as there is a kind of natural antipathy between the Psylli 4 near Cyrenaea and reptiles, so there is between the Tentyritae and crocodiles, so that they suffer no injury from them, but even dive in the river without fear and cross over, though no others are bold enough to do so. When the crocodiles were brought to Rome for exhibition, they were attended by the Tentyritae; and when a reservoir and a kind of stage above one of the sides had been made for them, so that they could go out of the

^{1 14, 1, 34,}

On this temple, see Petrie, The Osircion at Abyelos. 4 Cp. 13. 1. 14. * So in § 30 above.

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έκβάσι τοῦ ὕδατος ήλιαστήριον είναι, ἐκεῖνοι ήσαν οἱ τοτὲ μὲν ἐξέλκοντες δικτύφ πρὸς τὸ ήλιαστήριον, ὡς καὶ ὑπὸ τῶν θεατῶν ὁραθῆναι, ἐμβαίνοντες ᾶμα εἰς τὸ ὕδωρ, τοτὰ δὲ πάλιν εἰς τὴν δεξαμενὴν κατασπῶντες. τιμῶσι δὲ ᾿Αφρο ἔίτην ὅπισθεν δὲ τοῦ νεὼ τῆς ᾿Αφροδίτης Ἱσιδός ἐστιν ἰερόν εἰτα τὰ Ὑυφώνια καλούμενα καὶ ἡ εἰς Κοπτὸν διῶρυξ, πόλιν κοινὴν Αἰγυπτίων τε

καὶ 'Αράβων.

45. Έντεθθέν έστιν Ισθμός είς την Ερυθράν κατά πόλιν Βερενίκην, αλίμενον μέν, τῆ δ' εὐκαιρία τοῦ Ισθμοῦ καταγωγάς ἐπιτηδείους ἔχουσαν. λέγεται δ' ο Φιλάδελφος πρώτος στρατοπέδω τεμείν την οδόν ταύτην, άνυδρον ούσαν, καὶ κατασκευάσαι σταθμούς, ώσπερ τοῖς έμπορίοις 1 όδεύμασι καὶ διὰ τῶν καμήλων, τοῦτο δὲ πράξαι διὰ τὸ τὴν Ερυθρὰν δύσπλουν είναι, καὶ μάλιστα τοις έκ του μυχού πλοιζομένοις. ἐφάνη δὴ τῆ πείρα πολύ το χρήσιμου, και νύν ο Ίνδικος φόρτος " άπας και ο 'Αράβιος και του Αιθιοπικού ό τῷ 'Αραβίω κόλπω κατακομιζόμενος els Κοπτον φέρεται, και τουτ' έστιν έμποριον των τοιούτων φορτίων, ούκ ἄπωθεν δὲ τῆς Βερενίκης ἐστὶ Μυὸς ὅρμος, πόλις ἔχουσα τὸ ναύσταθμον τῶν πλοίζομένων, καὶ τῆς Κοπτοθ οὐ πολὺ ἀφέστηκεν ή καλουμένη 'Απόλλωνος πόλις, ώστε και αί διορίζουσαι τὸν ἰσθμὸν δύο πόλεις ἐκατέρωθέν

Arrian (Indica 41) likewise uses tweeters as an adjective, instead of typecusels. It is so used nowhere else in Strabo apparently; but the clause appears to be a direct quotation from one of Arrian's sources. Kramer and Meineke roject is as a gloss; Greakurd and C. Müller emend it drastically (see Kramer).

Poyrer, pdpss other MSS.

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water and have a basking-place in the sun, these men at one time, stepping into the water all together, would drag them in a net to the basking-place, so that they could be seen by the spectators, and at another would pull them down again into the reservoir. They worship Aphrodite; and back of her shrine is a temple of Isis. And then one comes to the Typhonia, as they are called, and to the canal that leads to Coptus, a city common to the Aegyptians and the Arabians.

45. Thence one crosses an isthmus, which extends to the Red Sea, near a city Berenice. city has no harbour, but on account of the favourable lay of the isthmus has convenient landing-places. It is said that Philadelphus was the first person, by means of an army, to cut this road, which is without water, and to build stations, as though for the travels of merchants on camels, and that he did this because the Red Sea was hard to navigate, particularly for those who set sail from its innermost recess. So the utility of his plan was shown by experience to be great, and now all the Indian merchandise, as well as the Arabian and such of the Acthiopian as is brought down by the Arabian Gulf, is carried to Coptus, which is the emporium for such cargoes. Not far from Berenice lies Myns Hormus,1 a city containing the naval station for sailors; and not far distant from Coptus lies Apollonospolis,2 as it is called, so that on either side there are two cities which form the boundaries of

a "City of Apollo."

¹ But the well-known Bereniel (now Suskim) was about as far from Myns Hormus (now Kosseir) as from Coptus (now Kench); see footnote 2, next page.

είσιν. άλλά νῦν ἡ Κοπτὸς καὶ ὁ Μυὸς ὅρμος εὐδοκιμεῖ, καὶ χρώνται τοῖς τόποις τούτοις. πρότερον μὲν οῦν ἐνυκτοπόρουν πρὸς τὰ ἄστρα βλέποντες οἱ καμηλέμποροι καὶ καθάπερ ὶ οἱ πλέοντες
ώδουον κομίζοντες καὶ ὕδωρ, νυνὶ δὲ καὶ ὑδρεῖα
κατεσκευάκασιν, ὁρύξαντες πολὰ βάθος, καὶ ἐκ
τῶν οὐρανίων, καίπερ ὅντων σπανίων, ὅμως δεξαμενὰς πεποίηνται. ἡ δὶ ὁδός ἐστιν ἐξ ἡ ἐπτὰ
ήμερῶν. ἐπὶ δὲ τῷ ἱσθμῷ τούτω καὶ τὰ τῆς
σμαράγδου μέταλλά ἐστι, τῶν ᾿Αράβων ὁρυττύντων βαθεῖς τινας ὑπονόμους, καὶ ἄλλων λίθων
πολυτελῶν.

 Μετά δὶ τὴν ᾿Απόλλωνος πόλιν οἱ Θῆβαι (καλεῖται δὶ νῦν Διὸς πόλις).

αίθ' έκατόμπυλοί είσι, διηκόσιοι δ' ἀν' έκάστην ἀνέρες έξοιχνεύσι σὺν ἵπποισιν καὶ ὅχεσφιν.

"Ομηρος μέν ούτω. λέγει δὲ καὶ τὸν πλούτον.

οὐδ' ὅσα Θήβας C 816 Αἰγυπτίας, ὅθι πλείστα δόμοις ἐνὶ κτήματα κεῖται.

καὶ ἄλλοι δὲ τοιαῦτα λέγουσι, μητρύπολιν τιθέντες τῆς Λίγύπτου ταύτην· καὶ νῦν δ' ἴχνη δείκνυται

¹ nal nadárep, omitted by F, naí by Dh.

¹ Op. 2. 5. 12.

^{*} Pliny (6, 20), who speaks only of the route from Coptus to Perentel, says that the distance was 257 Rousan miles and required twelve days, and that one of the watering-places, Old Hydrouma ("Watering-place"), near Berenied, could accommodate 2000 persons. Strabe seems to be confused on the subject, since (1) there were two distinct routes;

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the isthmus. But now it is Coptus and Myus Hormus 1 that have high repute; and people frequent these places. Now in earlier times the camelmerchants travelled only by night, looking to the stars for guidance, and, like the mariners, also carried water with them when they travelled; but now they have constructed watering-places, having dug down to a great depth, and, although rain-water is scarce, still they have made cisterns for it. The journey takes six or seven days.2 On this isthmus are also the mines of smaragdus,3 where the Arabians dig deep tunnels, I might call them, and of other precious stones.

46. After Apollonospolis one comes to Thebes 4 (now called Diospolis 5), "Thebes of the hundred gates, whence sally forth two hundred men through each with horses and chariots." 6 So Homer; and he speaks also of its wealth, "even all the revenue of Aegyptian Thebes, where lies in treasure-houses the greatest wealth." And others also say things of this kind, making this city the metropolis of Aegypt. Even now traces of its magnitude are

(2) Myos Hormus and the well-known Berenice were far apart (see footnote above); (3) the journey from Coptus to the latter required about twice as much time as that to the former (op. Mahaffy, The Empire of the Ptolemies, pp. 135, 184, 395, 482), and (4) if Strabo was not thinking of a Berenice near Myus Hormus, his "isthmus" has a very odd shape (see Map at end of volume).

Pliny (37. 17) says that there are no fewer than twelve different kinds of smaragdus, and ranks the Aegyptian as third. The Aegyptian appears to have been a genuine emerald. For an account of the mines, see Energ. Brit.

s.v. " Emorald." 4 Luxer.

^{5 &}quot;City of Zens." 4 Ilfod 9, 383.

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τοῦ μεγέθους αὐτῆς ἐπὶ ὀγδοήκοντα σταδίους τὸ μήκος. έστι δ' ίερα 1 πλείω, και τούτων δὸ τά πολλά ήκρωτηρίασε Καμβύσης. νυνί δὲ κωμηδόν συνοικείται, μέρος μέν2 τι έν τῆ 'Αραβία, έν ήπερ ή πόλις, μέρος δέ τι³ καὶ ἐν τῆ περαία, όπου το Μεμνόνιον. ἐνταῦθα δὲ δυείν κολοσσῶν όντων μονολίθων άλλήλων πλησίον, ό μὲν σώζεται, τοῦ δ' ἐτέρου τὰ ἄνω μέρη τὰ ἀπὸ τῆς καθέδρας πέπτωκε σεισμού γενηθέντος, ώς φασι. πεπίστευται δ', δτι άπαξ καθ' ήμέραν ἐκάστην ψόφος, ώς αν πληγής οὐ μεγάλης, ἀποτελεῖται ἀπὸ τοῦ μένοντος έν τῷ θρόνω καὶ τῆ βώσει μέρους· κινοὼ δὲ παρών ἐπὶ τῶν τόπων μετὰ Γάλλου Λίλίου καί του πλήθους τών συνόντων αυτώ φίλων τε καί στρατιωτών περί ώραν πρώτην ήκουσα τοθ ψόφου, είτε δὲ ἀπὸ τῆς βάσεως είτε ἀπὸ τοῦ κολοσσού είτ' ἐπίτηδες τών κύκλφ και περί την βάσιν ίδρυμένων τινός ποιήσαντος τον ψόφον, ούκ έχω διισχυρίσασθαι, διά γάρ τὸ ἄδηλον τῆς αίτίας παν μαλλον ἐπέρχεται πιστεύειν ή τὸ έκ τῶν λίθων οὕτω τεταγμένων ἐκπέμπεσθαι τὸν ήγου. ὑπέρ δὲ τοῦ Μεμνονίου θήκαι βασιλέων έν σπηλαίοις λατομηταί περί τετταράκοντα, θαυμαστώς κατεσκευασμέναι και 4 θέας άξιαι. ἐν δὲ ταίς θήκαις 5 έπί τινων δβελίσκων άναγραφαί

1 μέν, Corais, for δέ.

. Omitted by MSS. except EF.

¹ Kramer inserts of after lepd; and so the later editors.

³ μέρος δέ τι, Corals, for μέρος δὲ καί Ε, μέρος δ' ἐστί other MSS.: and so the later editors.

Meineke, following conjecture of Zoega (De Usu Obelisc. p. 169), which is approved by Kramer and Forbiger, emends θέκαις to Θήβαις.

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pointed out, extending as they do for a distance of eighty stadia in length; 1 and there are several temples, but most of these, too, were mutilated by Cambyses;2 and now it is only a collection of villages, a part of it being in Arabia, where was the city, and a part on the far side of the river, where was the Memnonium. Here are two colossi, which are near one another and are each made of a single stone; one of them is preserved, but the upper parts of the other, from the seat up, fell when an carthquake took place, so it is said. is believed that once each day a noise, as of a slight blow, emanates from the part of the latter that remains on the throne and its base; and I too, when I was present at the places with Aelius Gallus and his crowd of associates, both friends and soldiers, heard the noise at about the first hour,3 but whether it came from the base or from the colossus, or whether the noise was made on purpose by one of the men who were standing all round and near to the base, I am unable positively to assert; for on account of the uncertainty of the cause I am induced to believe anything rather than that the sound issued from stones thus fixed. Above the Memnonium, in caves, are tombs of kings, which are stone-hewn, are about forty in number, are marvellously constructed, and are a spectacle worth seeing. And among the tombs,4 on some obelisks,5 are inscriptions

Soe § 27 above and 10. 3. 21. i.e. as reckoned from sunrise.

Diodorus (1. 45) puts the circuit of the city at 140 stadis.

Perhaps an error for "And at Thobes" (see critical note).
 One of these obelisks, which were creeted by Rameses II,

now stands in the "Place de la Concordo" at Paris, a gift to Louis XIV from Mehemet Ali.

δηλούσαι τὸν πλούτον τών τότε βασιλέων καὶ την ἐπικράτειαν, ώς μέχρι Σκυθῶν καὶ Βακτρίων καὶ Ἰνδών καὶ τῆς νῦν Ἰωνίας διατείνασαν, καὶ φόρων πλήθος καὶ στρατιάς περὶ έκατὸν μυριάδας. λένονται δὲ καὶ ἀστρονόμοι καὶ φιλόσοφοι μάλιστα οἱ ἐνταῦθα ἱερεῖς· τούτων δ' ἐστὶ καὶ τὸ τὰς ἡμέρας μὴ κατά σελήνην ἄγειν, άλλὰ κατὰ ήλιου, τοῦς τριακουθημέροις δώδεκα μησίν ἐπαγόντων πέντε ήμέρας κατ' ένιαυτον έκαστου είς δε την έκπληρωσιν τοῦ όλου ένιαυτοῦ, ἐπιτρέχοντος μορίου τινός της ημέρας, περίοδου τινα συντιθέασιν έξ όλων ήμερών καὶ όλων ένιαυτών τοσούτων, όσα μόρια τὰ ἐπιτρέγοντα συνελθόντα ποιεί ἡμέραν. άνατιθέασι δὲ τῷ Ερμή πᾶσαν τὴν τοιαύτην1 μάλιστα ² σοφίαν· τῷ δὲ Διί, δν μάλιστα τιμώσιν, εὐειδεστάτη καὶ γένους λαμπροτάτου παρθένος ίεοᾶται, ας καλούσιν οί "Ελληνές παλλάδας.3 αύτη δὲ καὶ παλλακεύει καὶ σύνεστιν οἶς βούλεται, μέγρις αν ή φυσική γένηται κάθαρσις του σώματος. μετά δὲ την κάθαρσιν δίδοται πρός ἄνδρα 4 πρίν δὲ δοθήναι, πένθος αὐτής ἄγεται μετά τὸν τής παλλακείας καιρόν.

Ο 817 47. Μετά δὲ Θήβας Έρμωνθις πόλις, ἐν ἡ ὅ

* τοσαύτην Conocca.

4 areas or and the editors, areas other MSS.

μάλιστα, after τοιαίτην, is omitted by the editors before Kramer.

For παλλάδας Xylander conj. παλλακίδας (see Thesaurus, s.u. παλλακή).

^{1 4.}e. each frue "whole day" is 1770 days, and each frue "whole year" is 30576, or 3051 days. Hence they formed

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which show the wealth of the kings at that time, and also their dominion, as having extended as far as the Scythians and the Bactrians and the Indians and the present Ionia, and the amount of tributes they received, and the size of army they had, about one million men. The priests there are said to have been, for the most part, astronomers and philosophers; and it is due to these priests also that people reckon the days, not by the moon, but by the sun, adding to the twelve months of thirty days each five days each year; and, for the filling out of the whole year, since a fraction of the day runs over and above, they form a period of time from enough whole days, or whole years, to make the fractions that run over and above, when added together, amount to a day.1 They attribute to Hermes all wisdom of this particular kind; but to Zeus, whom they hold highest in honour, they dedicate a maiden of greatest beauty and most illustrious family (such maidens are called "pallades" by the Greeks); and she prostitutes herself, and cohabits with whatever men she wishes until the natural cleansing of her body takes place; and after her cleansing she is given in marriage to a man; but before she is married, after the time of her prostitution, a rite of mourning is celebrated for her.

47. After Thebes, one comes to a city Hermonthis,

the Julian Calendar. Cp. § 29 (above) and footnote. eritical note). Diodorus Siculus (1.47.1) calls these maidens " pallacides (f.e. concubines) of Zous."

i.s. until "menstruction."

a period out of enough of these supernumerary fractions, when added together, to make one day; i.s. they intercalated a day every fourth year; a practice which later passed into

τε 'Απόλλων τιμάται καὶ ὁ Ζεύς: τρέφεται δὲ καὶ ἐνταῦθα βοῦς: ἔπειτα Κροκοδείλων πόλις, τιμώσα τὸ θηρίον: εἰτα 'Λφροδίτης πόλις καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα Λατόπολις, τιμῶσα 'Αθηνῶν καὶ τὸν λάτον: εἰτα Εἰλειθνίας πόλις καὶ ἰερόν: ἐν δὲ τῆ περαία 'Ἱεράκων πόλις, τὸν ἰέρακα τὶμῶσα: εἰτ' 'Απόλλωνος πόλις, καὶ αὕτη πολεμοῦσα τοῖς

κροκοδείλοις.

48. 'Η δε Συήνη και ή 'Ελεφαντίνη, ή μεν έπι τῶν ὅρων τῆς Αἰθιοπίας καὶ τῆς Αἰγύπτου πόλις, ή δ' εν τῷ Νείλω προκειμένη τῆς Συήνης νῆσος έν ήμισταδίω και έν ταύτη πόλις έχουσα ίερου Κνούφιδος και νειλομέτριον, καθάπερ Μέμφις. έστι δὲ τὸ νειλομέτριον συννόμω λίθω 1 κατεσκευασμένου ἐπὶ τῆ ὄχθη τοῦ Νείλου φρέαρ, ἐν οἱ τὰς ἀναβάσεις του Νείλου 2 σημειούνται τὰς μεγίστας τε καὶ έλαχίστας καὶ τὰς μέσας συναναβαίνει γάρ καὶ συνταπεινούται τώ ποταμώ τὸ ἐν τώ Φρέατι ύδωρ. elσίν οθν έν τῷ τοίχῳ τοῦ φρέατος παραγραφαί, μέτρα των τελείων και των άλλων άναβάσεων. ἐπισκοπούντες ούν ταύτας διασημαίνουσε τοῖς άλλοις, όπως είδεῖεν πρό πολλοῦ γάρ Ισασιν έκ των τοιούτων σημείων καὶ τών ημερών 3 την έσομένην ανάβασιν και προδηλούσι. τούτο δε και τοις γεωργοίς χρήσιμου της τών

* E reads μονολίθου instead of Nelkou,

¹ συννόμφ λέθφ, Cassubon, for σύν μονελέθφ; so the later editors.

Por και τῶν ἡμερῶν Casaubon conj. και τεκραμίων ("evidences"); Corais writes και μέτρων ("measures"), Kramer approving.

¹ See § 40 above.

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where both Apollo and Zeus are worshipped; and there, too, a bull is kept. And then to a City of Crocodiles, which holds in honour that animal. And then to a City of Aphrodité, and, after this, to Latopolis, which holds in honour Athena and the latus; and then to a City of Elicithuia and a temple; and on the far side of the river lies a City of Hawks, which holds the hawk in honour; and then to Apollonospolis, which also carries on war

against the crocodiles.

48. As for Syene 4 and Elephantine, the former is a city on the borders of Acthiopia and Aegypt, and the latter is an island in the Nile, being situated in front of Syenê at a distance of half a stadium, and a city therein which has a temple of Cnuphis and, like Memphis, a nilometer. The nilometer is a well on the bank of the Nile constructed with close-fitting stones, 5 in which are marks showing the greatest, least, and mean rises of the Nile; for the water in the well rises and lowers with the river. Accordingly, there are marks on the wall of the well, measures of the complete rises and of the others. So when watchers inspect these, they give out word to the rest of the people, so that they may know; for long beforehand they know from such signs and the days 6 what the future rise will be, and reveal it beforehand. This is useful, not only to the farmers with regard to the

2 The goddess of childbirth.

Assumb.

Cp. the structure of the sewers at Rome (5. 3. 8).

The hawk ("hierax"; see § 49 below) was sacred to Apollo, as was the eagle to Zous (Aristophanes, Birds, 516).

i.e. apparently, from the times of the observations as compared with the readings of the meter (but see critical note).

ύδάτων ταμιείας χάριν καὶ παραχωμάτων καὶ διωρύγων καὶ άλλων τοιούτων, καὶ τοῖς ἡγεμόσι τών προσόδων χάριν αι γάρ μείζους άναβάσεις μείζους και τὰς προσόδους ύπαγορεύουσιν. ἐν δὲ τή Συήνη καὶ τὸ φρέαρ έστὶ τὸ διασημαΐνου τὰς θερινάς τροπάς, διότε τῷ τροπικῷ κύκλω ὑπόκεινται οι τόποι ούτοι καὶ ποιούσιν άσκίους τούς γνώμονας κατά μεσημβρίαν-2 άπὸ γὰρ τῶν ήμετέρων τόπων, λέγω δὲ τῶν Ελλαδικών, προζούσιν έπὶ τὴν μεσημβρίαν ἐνταῦθα πρῶτον ὁ ῆλιος κατὰ κορυφὴν ἡμῦν γίνεται καὶ ποιεῖ τοὺς γινόμονας άσκίους κατά μεσημβρίαν ανάγκη δέ, κατά κορυφήν ήμεν γινομένου, και είς τὰ φρέατα Βάλλειν μέχρι τοθ ύδατος τὰς αὐγάς, κᾶν βαθύτατα ή κατά κάθετον γάρ ήμεις τε έσταμεν καί τὰ δρύγματα τῶν φρεάτων κατεσκεύασται. εἰσὶ δ' ένταθθα τρεῖς σπεῖραι 'Ρωμαίων Ιδρυμέναι φρουράς χάριν.

49. Μεκρου δ' ὑπὲρ τῆς Ἑλεφαντίνης ἐστὶν ὁ μικρὸς καταράκτης, ἐφ' οἱ καὶ θέαν τινὰ οἱ σκαφῶται τοῦς ἡγεμόσιν ἐπιδείκνυνται ὁ μὲν γὰρ καταράκτης ἐστὶ κατὰ μέσον τὸν ποταμόν, πετρώδης τις ὀφρύς, ἐπίπεδος μὰν ἄνωθεν, ὥστε δέχεσθαι τὸν ποταμόν, τελευτώσα δ' εἰς κρημνόν, καθ' οἱ καταρρήγνυται τὸ ὕδωρ, ἐκατέρωθεν δὲ πρὸς τῆ γῆ ῥεῦθρον, δ μάλιστα καὶ ἀνάπλουν C 818 ἔχει ἀναπλεύσαντες οὖν ταύτη καταρρέουσιν ἐπὶ τὸν καταρρέκτην καὶ ἀθοῦνται μετὰ τῆς σκάψης

1 sal, before \$1641, the editors omit.

² The words sal weeden . . . µeeqµBplar are rejected by Kramer and Meineke.

^{*} suraphern: DE, surappiern: other MSS.; and so in the succeeding uses of the word.

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water-distribution, embankments, canals, and other things of this kind, but also to the pracfects, with regard to the revenues; for the greater rises indicate that the revenues also will be greater. in Syene 1 is also the well that marks the summer tropic, for the reason that this region lies under the tropic circle and causes the gnomons to cast no shadow at midday; for if from our region, I mean that of Greece, we proceed towards the south, it is at Syené that the sun first gets over our heads and causes the gnomons to cast no shadow at midday; and necessarily, when the sun gets over our heads, it also casts its rays into wells as far as the water, even if they are very deep; for we ourselves stand perpendicular to the earth and wells are dug perpendicular to the surface. And here are stationed three cohorts as a guard.

49. A little above Elephantine is the little cataract, on which the boatmen exhibit a kind of spectacle for the praefects; 2 for the cataract is at the middle of the river, and is a brow of rock, as it were, which is flat on top, so that it receives the river, but ends in a precipice, down which the water dashes; whereas on either side towards the land there is a stream which generally can even be navigated up-stream. Accordingly, the boatmen, having first sailed up-stream here, drift down to the cataract, are thrust along with the boat over the precipice, and escape

s e.g. Aelius Gallus, whom Strabo accompanied.

¹ So Pliny (2. 75) and Arrian (Indics, 25. 7); but in reality Syenë was slightly to the north of the tropic, its latitude being 24° 1′. The obliquity of the celiptic in Eratosthones' time was about 23° 44′, in Strabo's time about 23° 42′, and to-day is about 23° 27′.

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ἐπὶ τὸν κρημνὸν καὶ σώζονται σὰν αὐτῆ ¹ ἀπαθεῖς. τοῦ δὲ καταράκτου μικρὸν ἐπάνω τὰς Φιλὰς εἰναι συμβαίνει, κοινὴν κατοικίαν Αἰθιόπων τε καὶ Αἰγυπτίων, κατεσκευασμένην ὅσπερ καὶ τὴν Ἐλεφαντίνην καὶ τὸ μέγεθος ἴσην, ἰερὰ ἔχουσαν Αἰγύπτια: ὅπου καὶ ὅρνεον τιμᾶται, ὁ καλοθει μὲν ἰξρακα, οὐδὰν δὲ ὅμοιον ἔμοιγε ἐφαίνετο ἔχειν τοἰς παρ ἡμῶν καὶ ἐν Αἰγύπτο ἰξραξιν, ἀλλὰ καὶ τῷ μεγέθει μείζον ῆν καὶ τῷ ποικιλία πολὺ ἐξηλλαγμένον. Αἰθιοπικὸν δ΄ ἔφασαν εἰναι, κὰκείθεν κομίζεσθαι, ὅταν ἐκλίπη, καὶ πρότερον? καὶ δὴ καὶ τότε ἐδείχθη ἡμῶν πρὸς ἰκλείψει δυ διὰ νόσον. 50. Ἡλθομεν δ΄ εἰς Φιλὰς ἐκ Συήνης ἀπήνη δὲ ὁμαλοῦ σφόδρα πεδίου σταδίους ὁμοῦ τι ἐκατόν. παρ' ὅλην δὲ τὴν όδὸν ῆν ἰδεῖν ἐκατόρου θν πολλαγοῦ, ὥσπερ ἐομαῖα, πέτρου ἡλίβατον συθεν πολλαγοῦ, ὧσπερ ἐομαῖα, πέτρου ἡλίβατον πλίβατον πολλαγοῦ, ὧσπερ ἐομαῖα, πέτρου ἡλίβατον πολλαγοῦ, ὧσπερ ἐομαῖα, πέτρου ἡλίβατον πολλαγοῦ, ὧσπερ ἐομαῖα, πέτρου ἡλίβατον πλίβατον πολλαγοῦ, ὧσπερ ἐομαῖα, πέτρου ἡλίβατον πλίβατον πολλαγοῦ, ὧσπερ ἐομαῖα, πέτρου ἡλίβατον πλίβατον πλίβατον πλίβατον πλίβατον πολλαγοῦ, ὧσπερ ἐομαῖα, πέτρου ἡλίβατον πλίβατον πλ

δι όμαλοῦ σφόδρα πεδίου σταδίους όμοῦ τι ἐκατόν. παρ' όλην δὲ τὴν όδὸν ἢν ἰδεῖν ἐκατέρωθεν πολλαχοῦ, ῶσπερ ἐρμαῖα, πέτρον ἢλίβατον στρογγύλον, λεῖον ἰκανῶς, ἐγγὺς σφαιροειδοῦς, τοῦ μέλανος καὶ σκληροῦ λίθου, ἐξ οῦ αὶ θυίαι γίνονται, ἐπὶ πέτρφ κεἰμενον μείζονι καὶ ἐπ' ἐκείνω πάλιν ἄλλον ἔστι δ' ὅτε αὐτοὶ καθ' αὐτοὺς ἔκειντο οἱ πέτροι ἢν δ' ὁ μὲν μέγιστος τὴν διάμετρον ποδών οὐκ ἐλαττόνων ἢ δώδεκα, ἄπαντες δὲ μείζους ἡ ἡμίσεις τούτων. διέβημεν δὲ εἰς τὴν νήσον ἐπὶ πάκτωνος ὁ δὲ πάκτων διὰ σκυταλίδων πεπηγός ἐστι σκάφιον, ὧστ' ἐοκέναι

* and weotreper is omitted by F.

¹ abrû E, abraîs other MSS.

^{*} For exarér (p') Groskurd reads wertherra (p').

¹ Probably an error for "fifty," as Greekurd suggests (see critical note).

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unharmed, boat and all. A little above the cataract lies Philae, a common settlement of Aethiopians and Aegyptians, which is built like Elephantine and is equal to it in size; and it has Aegyptian temples. Here, also, a bird is held in honour, which they call a hawk, though to me it appeared to be in no respect like the hawks in our country and in Aegypt, but was both greater in size and far different in the varied colouring of its plumage. They said that it was an Aethiopian bird, and that another was brought from Aethiopia whenever the one at hand died, or before. And in fact the bird shown to us at the time mentioned was nearly dead because of disease.

50. We went to Philae from Syene by wagon through an exceedingly level plain—a distance all told of about one hundred stadia. Along the whole road on either side one could see in many places a stone like our Hermae; it was huge, round, quite smooth, nearly sphere-shaped, and consisted of the black, hard stone from which mortars are made—a smaller stone lying on a larger, and on that stone again another. Sometimes, however, it was only a single stone; and the largest was in diameter no less than twelve feet, though one and all were larger than half this measure. We crossed to the island on a pacion. The pacion is a small boat constructed of withes, so that it resembles woven-work;

³ i.e. quadrangular pillars surmounted by a head or bust of Hermes, which were used as sign-posts or boundary-marks. ³ Pocock (Transés in Egypt, in Pinkertoris Voyages and Travets, Vol. XV, p. 205), who saw some of these stones says that they were rooks of red granite which had turned blackish or the outside; "a rock standing up like a pillar, and a large rook on it, hteroglyphics being cut on some of them."

διαπλοκίνω έστωτες δ' έν ύδατι ή και σανιδίους τισί προσκαθήμενοι βαδίως επεραιώθημεν, δεδιότες 1 μάτην 2 ακίνδυνα γάρ έστιν, αν μή τις

υπέργομου ποιήση το πορθμέζου.

51. Καθ' όλην δέ την Αίγυπτον του φοίνικος άγεννοθη όντος και εκφέροντος καρπόν ούκ εύβρωτου έν τοῖς περί τὸ Δέλτα τόποις και περί την 'Αλεξάνδρειαν, ο έν τη Θηβαίδι φοίνιξ άριστος των άλλων φύεται. θαυμάζειν οὐν αξιου, πώς ταυτό κλίμα οἰκοῦντες τῷ Ἰουδαία και δμοροι οἱ περὶ τὸ Δέλτα και τὴν ἸΑλεξάνδρειαν, τοσούτον διαλλάττουσιν, εκείνης πρός άλλω φοίνικι καὶ τὸν καρυωτὸν γεννώσης, οὐ πολύ κρείττονα τοῦ Βαβυλωνίου. διττὸς δ΄ έστιν δ τε έν τή Θηβαίδι και ό έν τή Ίουδαία, ο τε άλλος και ο καρυωτός, σκληρότερος δ' ο Θηβαϊκός, άλλα τη γεύσει εύστομώτερος. έστι δε και νήσος ή μάλιστα εκφέρουσα τον άριστον, μεγίστην τελούσα πρόσοδον τοῖς ἡγεμόσι: Βασιλική γὰρ ἡν, ἰδιώτη δ' οὐ μετῆν, καὶ νῦν τῶν ἡγεμόνων ἐστί.

52. Πολλά δ' Ἡρόδοτός τε καὶ ἄλλοι φλυαροῦσεν, ὥσπερ μέλος ἡ ρυθμὸν ἡ ἡδυσμά τι τῶ ψάσκειν περατείαν προσφέροντες οἰον καὶ τὸ φάσκειν περὶ τὰς νήσους τὰς πρὸς τῆ Συήνη καὶ τῆ Ἑλεφαντίνη, πλείους δ' εἰσί, τὰς πηγὰς τοῦ Νείλου εἶναι, καὶ βάθος ἄβυσσον ἔχειν τὸν πόρον κατὰ τοῦτον τὸν τόπον. νήσους δ' ὁ Νείλος κατεσπαρμένας ἔχει παμπόλλας, τὰς μὲν καλυπτομένας δλας ἐν ταῖς ἀναβάσεσι, τὰς δ' ἐκ

¹ moz read ob before δεδώτες. 2 μάτην ΕΕ, omitted by other MSS.

GEOGRAPHY, 17. 1. 50-52

and though standing in water or seated on small boards, we crossed easily, being afraid without cause, for there is no danger unless the ferry-boat is overladen.

51. Throughout the whole of Aegypt the palm tree is not of a good species; and in the region of the Delta and Alexandria it produces fruit that is not good to cat; but the palm tree in the Thebais is better than any of the rest. Now it is a thing worth marvelling at, that a country which is in the same latitude as Judaca and borders on it, I mean the country round the Delta and Alexandria, differs so much, since Judaca, in addition to another palm, produces also the caryotic, which is somewhat better than the Babylonian. There are two kinds in the Thebaïs as well as in Judaca, both the caryotic and the other; and the Thebaïc date is harder, but more agreeable to the taste. There is also an island which is particularly productive of the best date, yielding a very large revenue for the praefects; for it used to be a royal possession, and no private individual shared in it, but it now belongs to the practects.

52. Both Herodotus 1 and others talk much nonsense, adding to their account marvellous tales, to give it, as it were, a kind of tune or rhythm or relish; as, for example, the assertion that the sources of the Nile are in the neighbourhood of the islands near Syené and Elephantine (of which there are several), and that at this place its channel has a bottomless depth. The Nile has very many islands scattered along its course, of which some are wholly covered at its risings and others only partly; but μέρους, ἐποχετεύεται δὲ τοῖς κοχλιαις τὰ λίαν

έξαλα.

53. Ἡν μὲν οὖν ή Αἴγυπτος εἰρηνικὴ τὸ πλέον έξ άρχης διὰ τὸ αὐταρκες της χώρας καὶ τὸ δυσείσβολον τοις έξωθεν, από μέν των άρκτων άλιμένω παραλία καὶ πελάγει τῷ Λίγυπτίω φρουρουμένη, ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς ἔω καὶ τῆς ἐσπέρας ἐρήμοις όρεσι, τοίς τε Λιβυκοίς και τοίς Αραβίοις, ώσπερ έφαμεν· λοιπά δὲ τὰ πρὸς νότον Τρωγλοδύται καὶ Βλέμμυες και Νούβαι και Μεγάβαροι οί ύπερ Συήνης Αιθίσπες· είσὶ δ' ούτοι νομάδες καὶ οὐ πολλοί οὐδὲ μάχιμοι, δοκοθντες δε τοῦς πάλαι διά το ληστρικώς άφυλάκτοις επιτίθεσθαι πολλάκις οί δὲ πρὸς μεσημβρίαν καὶ Μερόην ἀνήκοντες Αίθίοπες, ούδ' ούτοι πολλοί ούτε έν συστροφή, άτε ποταμίαν μακράν στενήν καί σκολιάν οἰκοθντες, οΐαν προείπομεν οὐδὲ παρεσκευασμένοι καλώς ούτε πρός πόλεμον ούτε πρός του άλλου βίου. και νθυ δε διάκειται παραπλησίως ή χώρα πασα σημείου δέ τρισί γοθν σπείραις, ούδε ταύταις εντελέσιν, Ικανώς ύπο τών Ρωμαίων ή χώρα φρουρείται τολμήσασι δέ τοις Αιθίοψιν ἐπιθέσθαι κινδυνεύσαι τη χώρα συνέπεσε τή σφετέρα. και αι λοιπαι δε δυνάμεις αί εν Αλγύπτω ούτε τοσαθταί τινές είσιν ούτε άθρόαις έχρήσαντο οὐδ' ἄπαξ 'Ρωμαΐοι οὐ γάρ είσιν ούτ αὐτοὶ Λίγύπτιοι πολεμισταί, καίπερ δυτες παμπληθείς, ούτε τὰ πέριξ έθυη. Γάλλος μέν γε Κορνήλιος, ὁ πρώτος κατασταθείς έπαρχος

Cp. § 30 above. Cp. § 4 above.

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the exceedingly high parts of the latter are irrigated

by means of screws.1

53. Now Aegypt was generally inclined to peace from the outset, because of the self-sufficiency of the country and of the difficulty of invasion by outsiders, being protected on the north by a harbourless coast and by the Aegyptian Sea, and on the east and west by the desert mountains of Libya and Arabia, as I have said; 2 and the remaining parts, those towards the south, are inhabited by Troglodytes, Blemmyes, Nubae, and Megabari, those Acthiopians who live above Svene. These are nomads, and not numerous, or warlike either, though they were thought to be so by the ancients, because often, like brigands, they would attack defenceless persons. As for those Aethiopians who extend towards the south and Meroe, they are not numerous either, nor do they collect in one mass, inasmuch as they inhabit a long, narrow, and winding stretch of river-land, such as I have described before; 3 neither are they well equipped either for warfare or for any other kind of life. And now, too, the whole of the country is similarly disposed to peace. And the following is a sign of the fact: the country is sufficiently guarded by the Romans with only three cohorts, and even these are not complete; and when the Aethiopians dared to make an attack upon them, they imperilled their own country. The remaining Roman forces in Aegypt are hardly as large as these, nor have the Romans used them collectively even once; for neither are the Aegyptians themselves warriors, although they are very numerous, nor are the surrounding tribes. Cornelius Gallus, the first man appointed praefect of the country by Caesar, attacked

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τῆς χώρας ὑπὸ ΚαΙσαρος, τήν τε Ἡρώων πόλιν ἀποστάσαν ἐπελθὰν δι ὁλίγων είλε, στάσιν τε γενηθείσαν ἐν τῆ Θηβαίδι διὰ τοὺς φόρους ἐν βραχεῖ κατέλυσε. Πετρώνιὸς τε ὕστερον τοῦ Λλεξανδρέων πλήθους τοσούτων μυριάδων ὁρμήσαντος ἐπ' αὐτὸν μετὰ λίθων βολῆς, αὐτοῖς τοῖς περὶ ἑαυτὸν στρατιώταις ἀντέσχε, καὶ διαφθείρας τινὰς αὐτῶν τοὺς λοιποὺς ἔπαυσε. Γάλλος τε Λίλιος μέρει τῆς ἐν Λίγύπτφ φρουρᾶς εἰς τῆν ᾿Αραβίαν ἐμβαλὰν εἰρηται, τίνα τρόπον ἐξήλεγξε τοὺς ἀνθρώπους ἀπολέμους ὅντας: εἰ δὴ μὴ ὁ Συλλαῖος αὐτὸν προυδίδου, κῶν κατεστρέ-

√ατο την Ευδαίμονα πᾶσαν.

C 820 54. Έπειδη δε οί Αιθίοπες, καταφρονήσαντες τῷ μέρος τι τῆς ἐν Αἰγύπτω δυνάμεως ἀπεσπάσθαι μετά Γάλλου Λίλίου πολεμούντος πρός τούς Αραβας, ἐπῆλθον 1 τῆ Θηβαίδι καὶ τῆ Φρουρά τών τριών σπειρών των κατά Συήνην και ελόντες έφθασαν τήν τε Συήνην και την Έλεφαντίνην καὶ Φιλάς έξ έφόδου διά τὸ αἰφνίδιον καὶ έξηνδραποδίσαντο, ἀνέσπασαν δὲ καὶ τοὺς Καίσαρος ανδριάντας έπελθων δε ελάττοσιν ή μυρίοις πεζοίς Πετρώνιος, ίππεῦσι δὲ ὀκτακοσίοις πρός ἄνδρας τρισμυρίους, πρώτον μέν ηνάγκασεν άναφυγείν αὐτούς εἰς Ψέλχιν, πόλιν Αλθιοπικήν, και πρεσβεύεται τά τε ληφθέντα άπαιτών και τὰς αιτίας, δι' ας ήρξαν πολέμου. λεγόντων δ', ώς άδικοῦντο ὑπὸ τῶν νομάρχων,³ άλλ' ούκ έφη τούτους ήγεμόνας είναι της χώρας, άλλά Καίσαρα αίτησαμένων δ' ήμέρας τρείς είς

¹ enfilder, Corain, for evelderes.

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Heroënpolis, which had revolted, and took it with only a few soldiers, and in only a short time broke up a sedition which had taken place in the Thebars on account of the tributes. And at a later time Petronius, when all that countless multitude of Alexandrians rushed to attack him with a throwing of stones, held out against them with merely his own body-guard, and after killing some of them put a stop to the rest. And I have already stated how Aelius Gallus, when he invaded Arabia with a part of the guard stationed in Aegypt, discovered that the people were unwarlike; indeed, if Syllaeus had not betrayed him, he would even have subdued the whole of Arabia Felix.

54. But the Acthiopians, emboldened by the fact that a part of the Roman force in Acgypt had been drawn away with Aelius Gallus when he was carrying on war against the Arabians, attacked the Thebais and the garrison of the three cohorts at Syene, and by an unexpected onset took Syene and Elephantine and Philae, and enslaved the inhabitants, and also pulled down the statues of Caesar. But Petronius, setting out with less than ten thousand infantry and eight hundred cavalry against thirty thousand men, first forced them to flee back to Pseichis, an Aethiopian city, and sent ambassadors to demand what they had taken, as also to ask the reasons why they had begun war; and when they said that they had been wronged by the Nomarchs,2 he replied that these were not rulers of the country, but Caesar; and when they had requested three days for delibera-

^{1 16, 4, 23,}

^{* &}quot; Nome-rulers."

βουλήν καὶ μηδέν, ών έχρην, ποιούντων, προσβαλών ήνάγκασε προελθείν είς μάχην, ταχύ δέ τροπήν έποίησε, συντεταγμένων τε κακώς καὶ ώπλισμένων μεγάλους γάρ είχον θυρεούς, καὶ τούτους ώμοβοίνους, άμυντήρια δε πελέκεις, οί δε κουτούς, οι δε και ξίφη. τινές μεν ούν είς την πόλιν συνηλάθησαν, οἱ δ' εἰς τὴν ἐρημίαν ἔφυγον, τινὰς δε νήσος πλησίον ύπεδέξατο εμβάντας 1 είς τον πόρου, οὐ γάρ πολλοὶ ήσαν ένταθθα οἱ κροκόδειλοι διά τον ρούν. τούτων δ' ήσαν και οι τής βασιλίσσης στρατηγοί της Καυδάκης, η καθ ήμας ήρξε των Αίθιόπων, ανδρική τις γυνή πεπηρωμένη του έτερου των οφθαλμών τούτους τε δη ζωγρία λαμβάνει απαντας, επιπλεύσας σχεδίαις τε καὶ ναυσί, καὶ καταπέμπει παραχρημα els 'Αλεξάνδρειαν, ἐπελθών τε την Ψέλχιν αίρει προσαριθμουμένου δε τοις εαλωκόσι του πλήθους τῶν πεσόντων ἐν τῆ μάχη, τοὺς σωθέντας δλίγους παντάπασι γενέσθαι συνέβη. ἐκ δὲ Ψέλχιος ήκεν είς Πρήμνιν, ἐρυμνήν πόλιν, διελθών τους θίνας, έν ots ὁ Καμβύσου κατεχώσθη στρατός έμπεσόντος άνέμου, προσβαλών δὲ ἐξ ἐφόδου τὸ φρούριον αίρεῖ, καὶ μετά ταῦτα ώρμησεν έπὶ Ναπάτων· τοῦτο δ' ῆν τὸ βασίλειον τής Κανδάκης, καὶ ήν ἐνταῦθα υίὸς αὐτής. καὶ αύτη δ΄ εν τενε πλησίου ίδρυτο χωρίω. πρεσ-βευσαμένης δὲ περὶ φελίας και άποδούσης τοὺς έκ Συήνης αίχμαλώτους και τούς ανδριάντας, έπελθών λαμβάνει καὶ τὰ Νάπατα, φυγόντος τοῦ παιδός, καὶ κατασκάπτει εξανδραποδισά-

For lußderas, Jones conj. lußanderas.

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tion, but did nothing they should have done, he made an attack and forced them to come forth to battle; and he quickly turned them to flight, since they were badly marshalled and badly armed; for they had large oblong shields, and those too made of raw ox-hide, and as weapons some had only axes, others pikes, and others swords. Now some were driven together into the city, others fled into the desert, and others found refuge on a neighbouring island, having waded 1 into the channel, for on account of the current the crocodiles were not numerous there. Among these fugitives were the generals of Queen Candace, who was ruler of the Aethiopians in my time-a masculine sort of woman, and blind in one eye. These, one and all, he captured alive, having sailed after them in both rafts and shins, and he sent them forthwith down to Alexandria; and he also attacked Pselchis and captured it; and if the multitude of those who fell in the battle be added to the number of the captives, those who escaped must have been altogether few in number. From Pselchis he went to Premnis, a fortified city, after passing through the sand-dunes, where the army of Cambyses was overwhelmed when a wind-storm struck them; and having made an attack, he took the fortress at the first onset. After this he act out for Napata. This was the royal residence of Candace; and her son was there, and she herself was residing at a place near by. But though she sent ambassadors to treat for friendship and offered to give back the captives and the statues brought from Syene, Petronius attacked and captured Napata too, from which her son had fled, and rased it to the

See critical note.

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μενος δ' ἀναστρέφει πάλιν εἰς τοὐπίσω μετὰ τῶν λαφύρων, δύσοδα κρίνας τὰ προσωτέρω. την δὸ Πρημνιν τειχίσας βέλτιον, φρουράν έμβαλών καὶ τροφήν δυείν ένιαυτών τετρακοσίοις ανδράσιν, άπηρεν είς 'Αλεξάνδρειαν. και των αιχμαλώτων C 821 τους μέν έλαφυροπώλησε, χιλίους δε Καίσαρι επεμψε νεωστί εκ Καντάβρων ήκουτι, τους δε νόσοι διεχρήσαντο. ἐν τούτφ μυριάσι Κανδάκη πολλαίς έπὶ τὴν φρουράν ἐπῆλθε. Πετρώνιος δ' εξεβοήθησε και φθάνει προσελθών 1 είς το φρούριον, και πλείοσι παρασκευαις εξασφαλισάμενος του τόπου, πρεσβευσαμένων, εκέλευσεν ώς Καίσαρα πρεσβεύεσθαι οὐκ είδέναι δὲ φασκόντων, όστις είη Καίσαρ καὶ όπη βαδιστέον είη παρ αυτόν, έδωκε τους παραπέμψοντας και ήκου els Σάμον, ένταθθα τοῦ Καίσαρος ὄντος καὶ μέλλοντος είς Συρίαν έντεῦθεν προϊέναι, Τιβέριον είς 'Αρμενίαν στέλλοντος. πάντων δε τυχόντων, δο έδέοντο, άφηκεν αύτοις και τους φόρους, ους έπέστησε.

Π

1. Πολλά δ' εξρηται περί τῶν Λίθιοπικῶν ἐν τοῖς πρότερον, ὥατε συμπεριωδευμένα ἄν εἴη τῆ Λίγύπτω καὶ τὰ τούτων. ὡς δ' εἰπεῖν, τὰ ἄκρα τῆς οἰκουμένης τὰ παρακείμενα τῆ δυσκράτω καὶ ἀοικήτω διὰ καῦμα ἡ ψῦχος ἀνάγκη ἀποτεύγματα εἰναι τῆς εὐκράτου καὶ ἐλαττώματα· ταῦτα δ'

¹ προσελδών F and first hand in D, προσεισελδών C, προεισ-

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ground; and having enslaved its inhabitants, he turned back again with the booty, having decided that the regions farther on would be hard to traverse. But he fortified Premnis better, threw in a garrison and food for four hundred men for two years, and set out for Alexandria. As for the captives, he sold some of them as booty, and sent one thousand to Caesar, who had recently returned from Cantabria; and the others died of diseases. Meantime Candace marched against the garrison with many thousands of men, but Petronius set out to its assistance and arrived at the fortress first; and when he had made the place thoroughly secure by sundry devices, ambassadors came, but he bade them go to Caesar; and when they asserted that they did not know who Caesar was or where they should have to go to find him, he gave them escorts; and they went to Samos, since Caesar was there and intended to proceed to Syria from there, after despatching Tiberius to Armenia. And when the ambassadors had obtained everything they pled for, he even remitted the tributes which he had imposed.

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1. In the earlier parts of my work I have already said many things about the Aethiopian 1 tribes, so that the description of their country may be said to be included with that of Aegypt. In general, the extremities of the inhabited world, which lie alongside the part of the earth that is not temperate and habitable, because of heat or cold, must needs be defective and inferior to the temperate part;

¹ See Index, s.v. "Aethiopians."

έκ των βίων δήλα και τής πρός τὰς χρείας τὰς άνθρωπικάς άπορίας. κακόβιοί τε δή και γυμνήτές είσι τὰ πολλά καὶ νομάδες. τά τε βοσκήματα αύτοις έστι μικρά, πρόβατα και αίγες και βόες. καὶ κύνες μικροί, τραχεῖς 1 8è καὶ μάχιμοι. τάχα δε και τους Πυγμαίους άπο της τούτων μικροφυίας ύπενόησαν και ανέπλασαν έωρακως μέν γάρ ούδελς έξηγείται των πίστεως άξίων

άνδοῶν.

 Ζώσί τ' ἀπὸ κέγχρου καὶ κριθής, ἀφ' ὧν καὶ ποτον αύτοις έστιν άντ' έλαίου δέ 2 βούτυρον καί στέαρ· οὐδ' ἀκρόδρυα έχουσι πλην φοινίκων δλίγων ἐν κήποις βασιλικοῖς· ἔνιοι δὲ καὶ πόαν σιτούνται καὶ κλώνας άπαλοὺς καὶ λωτὸν καὶ καλάμου ρίζαν κρέασι δε χρώνται καὶ αίματι και γάλακτι και τυρφ. σέβουται δ' ώς θεούς τους βασιλέας, κατακλείστους όντας και οίκουρους τὸ πλέου. ἔστι δὲ τὸ μέγιστου αὐτοῖς βασί-λειου ἡ Μερόη, πόλες ὁμώνυμος τῆ νήσφ. τἡυ δε νήσον θυρεοειδή φασι το σχήμα, τό τε μέγεθος τάχα πρός ύπερβολήν εξρηται μήκος μεν όσου τρισχελίων σταδίων, εύρος δε χελίων. έχει δ' ή νήσος 3 συχνά και όρη και δάση μεγάλα· οἰκοθσι δ' οί μεν νομάδες, οί δε θηρευτικοί, οί δε γεωργοί. έστι δὲ καὶ χαλκωρυχεῖα καὶ σιδηρουργεῖα καὶ γρυσεία και λίθων γένη πολυτελών περιέχεται δ' άπὸ μὲν τῆς Διβύης θισὶ μεγάλοις, ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς 'Αραβίας κρημνοῖς συνεχέσιν, ἄνωθεν δ' ἐκ νότου

1 raxels Eo, perhaps rightly.

The MSS, read words received abreit derry. Examp 36 Kr. except that x omits deriv. Corain reads wordy abrols derivart! It thates arth.; but Jones reads as above, copying the phrase dyr' dhalow \$4 from 3, 3, 7.

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and this is clear from the modes of life of the inhabitants and from their lack of human necessities. They indeed live a hard life, go almost naked, and are nomads; and their domestic animals—sheep, goats, and cattle—are small; and their dogs are small though rough and pugnacious. And perhaps it is from the natural smallness of the people that men have conceived of Pygmics and fabricated them; for no man worthy of belief professes to have seen them.

2. The Acthiopians live on millet and barley, from which they also make a drink; but instead of olive-oil they have butter and tallow. Neither do they have fruit trees, except a few date-palms in the royal gardens. But some use grass as food, as also tender twigs, lotus, and reed-roots; and they use meats, blood, milk, and cheese. They reverence as gods their kings, who generally stay shut up at home. Their greatest royal seat is Meros, a city bearing the same name as the island. The island is said to be like an oblong shield in shape. Its size has perhaps been exaggerated; about three thousand stadia in length and one thousand in breadth. The island has both numerous mountains and large thickets; it is inhabited partly by nomads, partly by hunters, and partly by farmers; and it has mines of copper, iron, gold, and different kinds2 of precious stones. It is bounded on the Libyan side by large sand-dunes, and on the Arabian side by continuous

¹ Possibly an error for "swift" (see critical note).

Diodorus Siculus (1. 33) says "all kinds of precious stones."

^{* † »}for is omitted by all MSS. except F; E reads †

ταίς συμβολαίς τῶν ποταμῶν, τοῦ τε 'Ασταβόρα '
Ο 822 καὶ τοῦ 'Αστάποδος καὶ τοῦ 'Αστασόβα' προς ἄρκτου δ' ἡ ἐψεξῆς ῥύσις τοῦ Νείλου καὶ μέχρι Αἰγύπτου κατὰ τὴν λεχθεῖσαν πρότερου σκολιότητα τοῦ ποταμοῦ. ἐν δὲ ταῖς πόλεσιν αἱ οἰκήσεις ἐκ φοινικίνων σχιζῶν διαπλεκομίνων ² ἡ πλίνθων. ὁρυκτοὶ δὲ ἄλες, καθάπερ ἐν τοῖς 'Αραψι' πλεονάζει δὲ τῶν φυτῶν ὅ τε φοίνιξ καὶ ἡ περσέα καὶ ὁ ἔβενος καὶ ἡ κερατία ² θήρα δὲ καὶ ἐλεφάντων ἐστὶ καὶ λεόντων καὶ παρδάλεων εἰσὶ δὲ καὶ δράκοντες οἱ ἐλεφαντομάχοι καὶ ἄλλα θηρία πλείω' καταφεύγει γὰρ ἀπὸ τῶν ἐμπυρωτέρων καὶ αὐχμηροτέρων ἐπὶ τὰ ὑδρηλὰ καὶ ἐλώδη.

3. Υπέρκειται δὲ τῆς Μερόης ἡ Ψεβό, λίμνη μεγάλη νῆσον ἔχουσα οἰκουμένην ἰκανῶς. συμεβαίνει δὲ τοῦ Νείλου τὴν μὲν δυσμικὴν παραποταμίαν ἐχόντων τῶν Λιβύων, τὴν δὲ πέραν Αἰβιόπων, παρὰ μέρος αὐτῶν τὴν ἐπικράτειαν είναι τῶν νήσων καὶ τῆς ποταμίας, ἐξελαυνομένων τῶν ἐπέρων καὶ παραχωρούντων τοῦς κρείττσαι γενυμένοις. χρῶνται δὲ καὶ τόξοις Αἰβίοπες τετραπίχεσι ξυλίνοις πεπυρακτωμένοις ὁ όπλίζουσι δὲ καὶ τὰς γυναῖκας, ων αὶ πλείους κεκρίκωνται τὸ χεῖλος τοῦ στόματος χαλκῶ κρίκων καθιοφόροι δὲ εἰσίν, ἐρέαν οὐκ ἔχοντες, τῶν προβιίτων αἰγοτριγούντων οἱ δὲ γυμνῆτές εἰσιν, οῖ καὶ δ

^{1 &#}x27;Agraßéea F, 'Agraßéea other MSS.

^{*} διαπλεκομένων, Groskurd, for διαπλεκόμεναι, after which mos read καὶ τοίχων ἐκ πλίνθων, other MSS. τοίχων ἡ πλίνθων. Jones, following Kramer and C. Müller, ejects τοίχων.

eal of reports mozz, and reparts other MSS.

^{*} On a conjectural omission here, see C. Müller, Ind. Var. Lect. p. 1042.

GEOGRAPHY, 17. 2. 2-3

precipices, and above, on the south, by the confluences of the three rivers—the Astaboras, and the Astapus and the Astasobas 1-and on the north by the next course of the Nile, which extends to Aegypt along the aforesaid windings of the river. In the cities the dwellings are made of split pieces of palm wood woven together, or of brick. And they have quarried salt, as do the Arabians. And, among the plants, the palm, the persea,2 the ebony, and the ceratin's are found in abundance. And they have, not only elephants to hunt, but also lions and leopards. They also have scrpents, the elephant-fighters, as also many other wild animals; for the animals fice for refuge from the hotter and more arid regions to those that are watery and marshy.

 Above Meroĉ lies Psebo, a large lake containing an island that is rather well settled. And since the Libyans hold the land on the western side of the Nile and the Acthiopians that on the opposite side, it comes to pass that they take turns in dominating the islands and the river-land, one of the two being driven out and yielding place to those who buve proved stronger. The Acthiopians also use bows, which are four cubits long, are made of wood, and are hardened by fire; and they arm the women also, most of whom have a copper ring through the lip; and they wear sheep-skins, since they have no wool, their sheep having hair like that of goats; and some go naked, or wear round their loins small sheep-

1 Cp. 17. 1. 2.

3 The careb or locust-tree.

This tree is carefully described by Pliny (N. H., 13. 17).

s of saf EFA, \$ saf other MSS., perhaps rightly.

περιέζωνται μικρά κώδια ή τρίχινα πλέγματα εὐυφή. θεὸν δὲ νομίζουσι τὸν μὲν ἀθάνατον, τοῦτον δ' είναι τὸν αίτιον τῶν πάντων, τὸν δὲ θυητόν, αυώνυμον τινα καί ού σαφή. ώς δ' έπί τὸ πολύ τούς εὐεργέτας καὶ βασιλικούς θεούς νομίζουσι, και τούτων τούς μεν βασιλέας κοινούς άπάντων σωτήρας καὶ φύλακας, τοὺς δ' ίδιώτας ίδίως τοίς εὐ παθούσιν ὑπ' αὐτῶν. τῶν δὲ πρὸς τη διακεκαυμένη τινές και άθεοι νομίζονται, ούς γε και τον ήλιον φασιν έχθαίρειν και κακώς λέγειν, ἐπειδὰν προσίδωσιν ἀνίσχοντα, ώς καίοντα καὶ πολεμοῦντα αὐτοῖς, καταφεύγειν τε εἰς τὰ ἔλη. οἱ δ' ἐν Μερόη καὶ Ἡρακλέα καὶ Πᾶνα καὶ 'Ισιν σέβονται πρὸς ἄλλφ τινὶ βαρβαρικώ θεώ. τούς δὲ νεκρούς οἱ μὲν εἰς τὸν ποταμὸν ἐκρίπτουσεν, οί δ' οίκοι κατέχουσι περιχέαντες υαλοντινές δὲ ἐν κεραμίαις σοροῖς κατορύττουσι κύκλω των ίερων, δρκον τε τον ύπερ αύτων άπαιτούσι καὶ πάντων άγιστεύουσι μάλιστα. Βασιλέας τε καθιστάσι τους κάλλει διαφέροντας ή άρετή κτήνοτροφίας ή ανδρεία ή πλούτω. εν δε τή Μερόη κυριωτάτην τάξιν ἐπεῖχον οἱ ἱερεῖς τὸ παλαιόν, οί γε και τῷ βασιλεί προσέταττον ἔσθ' ότε άποθνήσκειν πέμψαντες άγγελον και κα-Ο 823 θίστασαν άντ' αὐτοῦ ἔτερον: ὕστερον δὲ κατέλυσέ τις των βασιλέων το έθος, ἐπιων μεθ' ὅπλων ἐπὶ τὸ ίερον, όπου ὁ χρυσούς νεώς έστι, καὶ τοὺς

ίερέας άποσφάξας πάντας. έστι δὲ καὶ τοθτο

See 17. 1. 8 and footnote on "glass,"

¹ Diodorus Siculus (3. 39) names Zeus in connection with the three others.

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skins or girdles of well-woven hair. They regard as god the immortal being, whom they consider the cause of all things, and also the mortal being, who is without name and not to be identified. But in general they regard their benefactors and royal personages as gods: of these the kings as the common saviours and guardians of all, and special individuals as in a special sense gods to those who have received benefactions from them. Among those who live near the torrid zone, some are considered atheists, since it is said that they hate even the sun, and revile it when they behold it rising, on the ground that it burns them and carries on war with them, and flee for refuge from it into the marshes. The inhabitants of Meroe worship Heracles, Pan, and Isis, in addition to some other, barbaric, god. As for the dead, some east them into the river, others enclose them in glass 2 and keep them at home; but some bury them around the temples in coffins made of clay; and they exact fulfilment of eaths sworn over the dead,3 and consider them the most sacred of all things. They appoint as kings those who excel in beauty, or in superiority in cattlebreeding, or in courage, or in wealth. In Meroe the highest rank was in ancient times held by the priests, who indeed would give orders even to the king, sometimes ordering him through a messenger to die, and would appoint another in his stead; but later one of the kings broke up the custom by marching with armed men against the temple where the golden shrine is and slaughtering all the priests. The following is also an Aethiopian

^{*} i.e. they make the eath binding by invoking the dead as witnesses.

έθος Αίθιοπικόν δς γάρ ἄν τῶν βασιλέων πηρωθή μέρος τι τοῦ σώματος όπωσοῦν τὸ αὐτὸ πάσχουσιν οἱ συνόντες αὐτω μάλιστα, οἱ δὶ αὐτὸ καὶ συναποθνήσκουσιν ἐκ δὲ τούτου φυλακή τοῦ βασιλέως ἐστὶ πλείστη παρ' αὐτῶν. περὶ μὲν

Αλθιόπων άρκέσει ταθτα.

 Τοῖς δ΄ Αἰγυπτιακοῖς καὶ ταῦτα προσθετέου δσα ίδιάζοντα, οἱον ὁ Δὶγύπτιος λεγόμενος κύαμος έξ ου το κιβώριον, και ή βύβλος ένταυθα γάρ καὶ παρ' Ίνδοῖς μόνον· ή δὲ περσέα ἐνταῦθα μόνον καὶ παρ' Αλθίοψι, δένδρον μέγα, καρπον έχον γλυκύν και μέγαν, και ή συκάμινος ή εκφέρουσα τον λεγόμενον καρπον συκόμορον σύκω γαρ εοικεν, άτιμου δ' έστι κατά την γεύσιν γίνεται δε και το κόρσιον και δμοιόν τι πεπέρει 2 τράγημα, μικρώ αὐτοῦ μεῖζον. ἰχθύες δ' ἐν τώ Νείλφ πολλοί μέν και άλλοι χαρακτήρα έχοντες ίδιου καλ ἐπιχώριου, γυωριμώτατοι δὲ δ τε ὀξύρυγχος καλ ὁ λεπιδωτός καλ λάτος καλ ἀλάβης και κορακίνος και χοίρος και φαγρώριος, δυ και φάγρου καλούσιν, έτι σίλουρος, κιθαρός, θρίσσα, κεστρεύς, λύχνος, φύσα, βούς δστρακίων δέ κοχλίαι ³ μεγάλοι, φωνήν όλολυγόσιν όμοίαν φθεγγόμενοι ζῷα δ' ἐπιχώρια καὶ ὁ ἰχνεύμων καὶ ή ἀσπὶς ή Αίγυπτία, ίδιον τι δ έχουσα παρὰ τάς έν άλλοις. διττή δ' έστίν, ή μέν σπιθαμιαία, ήπερ καὶ ὀξυθανατωτέρα, ή δ' ἐγγὺς ὀργυιᾶς, ὡς

* F, Corals insorts.

¹ τό F, τệ CDhi, τφ other MSS. 2 πεπέρει CE, πέπερι other MSS.

The text follows Cornis. E reads δστράκων δὲ λύχνος, φύσα, βοῦς, κοχλίαι; other MSS. δστρακίων δίλυχνος, φύσα (F φύσα), βοῦς, κοχλίαι.

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custom: whenever any one of the kings is maimed in any part of his body in any way whatever, his closest associates suffer the same thing, and they even die with him; and hence these men guard the king most carefully. This will suffice on the subject

of the Aethiopians.

4. But to my account of things Acgyptian I must add an enumeration of the things that are peculiar to that country, as, for example, the Aegyptian cumus,1 as it is called, from which ciborium is derived, and the byblus, for the byblus is found only here and among the Indians; and the persea is found only here and among the Acthiopians-a large tree with large, sweet fruit; and the sycamians that produces the fruit called sycomorus, for it resembles a sycum,3 though it is not prized for its taste; and the corsium is also found here—a relish somewhat like pepper, but slightly larger. As for fish in the Nile, they are indeed many in number and different in kind, with a special indigenous character, but the best known are the oxyrynchus and the lepidolus, lalus, alabes, coracinus, choerus, and phagrorius, also called phagrus, and, besides, the silurus, citharus, thrissa, cestreus, lychnus, physa, and bos; and, among shellcreatures, there are large conchline which emit a sound like a croak. As for indigenous animals, Accept has also the ichneumon and the Acception asp, which latter has a peculiarity as compared with the asp of other countries; but it is of two kinds, one only a span long, which causes a quicker death, and the other nearly a fathom, as is stated by

1 Sec 17. 1. 15.
2 f.s. "fig."

Sec § 2 above.

^{* 18:60} To E, 18:00 86 To other MSS.

και Νίκανδρος ο τὰ Θηριακά γράψας εξρηκε. και των όρνέων ίβις και ίέραξ ὁ Αλγύπτιος. ημερος παρά 1 τους άλλοθι, ώς και ή αίλουρος. καὶ ό 2 νυκτικόραξ ίδιότροπος ἐνθάδε παρ' ἡμίν μέν γὰρ ἀετοῦ μέγεθος ἴσχει καὶ φθέγγεται βαρύ, έν Αλγύπτω δὲ κολοιοῦ μέγεθος καὶ φθογγή διάφορος. ήμερώτατον δ' ή ίβις, πελαργώδης μὲν κατὰ σχήμα καὶ μέγεθος, διττή δὲ τὴν χρόαν, ἡ μὲν πελαργώδης, ἡ δὲ ὅλη μέλαινα. μεστή δ' αὐτῶν ἄπασα τρίοδος ἐν Αλεξανδρεία, πῆ μὲν γρησίμως, πη δ' ου χρησίμως χρησίμως μέν, ότι πάν3 θηρίου έκλέγει και τὰ ἐν τοῦς κρεωπωλίοις και τοις όψοπωλίοις άποκαθάρματα. δυσχρήστως δέ, ότι παμφάγον καὶ ἀκάθαρτον καὶ δυσκόλως άπειργόμενον άπο τῶν καθαρίων καὶ τών άλλοτρίων μολυσμού παντός.

 Αληθές δὲ καὶ τὸ ἡ Ἡροδότου καί ἐστιν Αίγυπτιακου το του μέν πηλου ταις χερσί φυράν, τὸ δὲ στέαρ τὸ εἰς τὴν ἀρτοποιίαν τοῖς ποσί. C 824 καὶ οἱ κάκεις δὲ ίδιον τι άρτου γένος, στατικόν

κοιλίας, και το κίκι καρπός τις σπειρόμενος έν άρούραις, έξ ου έλαιον αποθλίβεται είς μέν λύχνον τοῦς ἀπὸ τῆς χώρας σχεδόν τι πᾶσιν, εἰς άλειμμα δε τοις πενεστέροις και εργατικωτέροις

. 1 huspos mapa E, huspes yap mapa other MSS.

3 o Cr. + other MSS.

After war, Jones conj. that wheeve has fallen out of the text.

δύσπωλίοις Casanbon, δύσπάλαις Ε, δύσπώλεσην other MSS. * TOO CEFA.

orfar DF, orals second hand Da, as in Herodotus 2, 36, ol gázas E, gualdores conj. Dindorf in Thesaurus, s.v.

Theriaca 168.

A poem on poisonous animals, as the name implies.

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Nicander, who wrote the Theriaca. Among the birds are found the ibis and the Aegyptian hierax, which latter is tame, like the cat, as compared with those elsewhere; and also the nuclicorax a is here of a peculiar species, for in our country it has the size of an eagle and a harsh caw, but in Aegypt the size of a jackdaw and a different caw. The ibis, however, is the tamest bird; it is like a stork in shape and size, but it is of two kinds in colour, one kind like the stork and the other black all over.4 Every cross-road in Alexandria is full of them; and though they are useful in one way, they are not useful in another. The bird is useful because it singles out every 5 animal 6 and the refuse in the meat-shops and bakeries, but not useful because it cats everything, is unclean, and can only with difficulty be kept away from things that are clean and do not admit of any defilement.

5. The statement of Herodotus? is also true, that it is an Aegyptian custom to knead mud with their hands, but suet for bread-making with their feet. Further, kakeis is a peculiar kind of bread which checks the bowels; and kiki is a kind of fruit sown in the fields, from which oil is pressed, which is used not only in lamps by almost all the people in the country, but also for anointing the body by the poorer classes and those who do the heavier labour,

i.e. "night-crow."

⁴ The former is the White or Secred Ibis; it regularly visits Aegypt at the time of the inundation, coming from Nobis.

^{*} The translator conjectures that " haneful " has fallen out

of the text after "every" (see critical note).

e.g. serpents (Josephus 2. 10), scorpions (Aelian 10. 29), locusts and caterpillars (Diodorus Siculus 1. 87).

^{7 2, 36,}

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καὶ ἀνδράσε καὶ γυναιξέ. καὶ τὰ κοίκενα 1 & πλέγματα Αίγυπτιακά έστι, φυτού τινος, δμοια τοίς σχοινίνοις ή φοινικίνοις. τὸ δὲ ζύθος 2 ίδίως μέν σκευάζεται παρ' έκείνοις, κοινόν δ' έστλ πολλοίς, και παρ' έκάστοις δε αί σκευασίαι διάφοροι. καὶ τοῦτο δὲ τῶν μάλιστα ζηλουμένων παρ' αύτοις τὸ πάντα τρέφειν τὰ γεννώμενα παιδία καὶ τὸ περιτέμνειν καὶ τὰ θήλεα ἐκτέμνειν. όπερ και τοις 'Ιουδαίοις νόμιμον' και ούτοι δ' είσιν Αίγύπτιοι τὸ ἀνέκαθεν, καθάπερ εἰρήκαμεν ἐν τῷ περί εκείνων λόγω, φησί δ' Λριστόβουλος, έκ τῆς θαλάττης μηδεν ἀνατρέχειν όψου εἰς τὸν Νείλου πλήν κεστρέως και θρίσσης και δελφίνος διά τους κροκοδείλους. τους μέν δελφίνας διά τὸ κρείττους είναι, τούς δὲ κεστρέας τῷ παραπέμπεσθαι ύπο των χοίρων παρά γην κατά τινα οίκείωσιν φυσικήν των δὲ χοίρων ἀπέχεσθαι τούς κροκοδείλους, στρογγύλων όντων καὶ ἐχόντων άκάνθας έπὶ τῆ κεφαλή φερούσας κίνδυνον τοις θηρίοις ἀναθεῖν μέν οῦν ἔαρος τοὺς κεστρέας γόνον ἔχοντας, μικρὸν δὲ πρὸ δύσεως Πλειάδος καταβαίνειν τεξομένους άθρόους, ότε και ή άλωσις αύτων γίνεται περιπιπτόντων τοῦς Φράγμασιν άθροων. Τοιαύτην δέ τινα ελκάζειν έστι καλ περί της θρίσσης αίτίαν, ταθτα καί περί Αίγύπτου.

³ κοίκινα (textures "made of the co"x-palm"), Casaubon and Meineke, for κόκκινα; but Kramer prefers κούκινα ("made from the coco-palm").

^{* (}ifos Ew, (byos other MSS.
* applur Dh, applor other MSS.

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both men and women; and further, the koikina 1 are Acgyptian textures made of some plant, and are like those made of rush or the date-palm. And beer is prepared in a peculiar way among the Aegyptians; it is a drink common to many peoples, but the ways of preparing it in the different countries are different, One of the customs most zealously observed among the Aegyptians is this, that they rear every child that is born, and circumcise the males, and excise the females,2 as is also customary among the Jews, who are also Aegyptians in origin, as I have already stated in my account of them." Aristobulus says that on account of the erocodiles no fish swim up into the Nile from the sea except the cestreus and the thrisza and the dolphin-the dolphin, because it is stronger than the crocodile, and the cestreus, because it is escorted by the cheeris along the bank, in accordance with some natural affinity; and that the crocodiles keep away from the choers, since the latter are round and have spines on the head which offer danger to the beasts. Now the cestreus, he says, runs up the river in spring when it is carrying its spawn, but for the purpose of spawning comes down in schools before the setting of the Pleiad, at which time they are captured, being caught in schools by the fenced enclosures. And some such cause might be conjectured also in the case of the thrissa. So much for Aegypt.

1 See critical note.

16. 2. 34.

i.e. remove portions of the symphos, and sometimes of the cittoris, of the females. The operation is harmless, and analogous to that of circumcision.

⁴ f.s. "pig" fish (see Athenaeus 6).

Ш

Περί δε Λιβύης εφεξής λέγωμεν, όπερ λείπεται μέρος τής συμπάσης γεωγραφίας.1 εξρηται μέν οθν καὶ πρότερον πολλά καὶ περὶ αὐτῆς, άλλὰ καὶ νῦν δσα καίρια προσυπομυηστέου, προστιθέντας² καὶ τὰ μή λεχθέντα πρότερον, οί μεν οῦν πρὸς τὰς ἡπείρους την οίκουμέτην διελόντες ανίσως διείλου, έμφαίνει γάρ το τριχή το els τρία ζσα, τοσούτο δ' ἀπολείπεται του τρίτου είναι μέρος τής οἰκουμένης ή Λιβύη, ώστε καὶ συντεθείσα μετὰ τῆς Εὐρώπης ούκ ἄν ἐξισάζειν δόξειε τῆ 'Ασία. τάχα δὲ καὶ της Ευρώπης ελάττων έστι, κατά δὲ την δύναμιν και πολλώ τινι, έρημος γάρ έστιν ή πολλή τής μεσογαίας και τής παρωκεανίτιδος, κατοικίαις δέ κατάστικτός έστι μικραΐς, καλ σποράσι καλ νομαδικαίς ταις πλείσταις πρός δὲ τῷ ἐρημία καὶ τὸ θηριοτρόφου έξελαύνει και έκ τῆς δυναμένης Ο 825 οἰκεῖσθαι· πολύ δὲ καὶ τῆς διακεκαυμένης ἐπι-λαμβάνει ζώνης. ἡ μέντοι καθ' ἡμᾶς εὐδαιμόνως οίκεῖται πᾶσα παραλία ή μεταξύ Νείλου καὶ Στηλών, καὶ μάλιστα ή ύπὸ Καρχηδονίοις γενομένη ἀνυδρίαι δέ τινες κάνταῦθα παρεμπίπτου-

Έστι δε δρθογωνίου τριγώνου το σχήμα, ώς ἄν τις εν επιπέδω νοήσειε, βάσιν μεν έχον την καθ ήμας παραλίαν την ἀπο της Αιγύπτου και

σιν, οίαι περί τε τὰς Σύρτεις καὶ τοὺς Μαρμαρίδας

καὶ τὸν Καταβαθμόν.

¹ yeuperplas CDEF.

² προστιθέντας F, προσθέντας other MSS.

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III

1. Next let me describe Libya, which is the only part left for the completion of my Geography as a whole. Now I have said much about this country before,1 but I must now comment also on other matters in so far as they may be timely, adding what has not been said before. Now the writers who have divided the inhabited world according to continents have divided it unequally, for the threefold division indicates a division into three equal parts; but Libya lacks so much of being a third part of the inhabited world that even if it were combined with Europe it would seem not to be equal to Asia. Perhaps it is even smaller than Europe; and in power it is much inferior, for the greater part of the interior and of its ocean-coast is desert, and it is dotted with settlements that are small, scattered, and mostly nomadic; and in addition to its deserts, its being a nursery of wild beasts drives out people even from land that could be inhabited; and it overlaps a considerable part of the torrid zone. However, the whole of the coast opposite to us, I mean that between the Nile and the Pillars, and particularly the part which was subject to the Carthaginians, is settled and prosperous; but here too some parts here and there are destitute of water, as, for example, in the regions about the Syrtes, the Marmaridae,2 and Catabathmus.

Libya has the shape of a right-angled triangle, conceived of as drawn on a plane surface, having as base the coast opposite us, from Aegypt and the

Νείλου μέχρι Μαυρουσίας και Στηλών, πρός όρθὰς δὲ ταύτη πλευράν, ἢν ὁ Νείλος ποιεί μέχρι Αίθιοπίας, προσεκβαλλόντων ήμων έως 'Ωκεανού, την δ' ύποτείνουσαν τη δρθή την παρωκεανίτιν απασαν την μεταξύ Αἰθιόπων και Μαυρουσίων, τὸ μὸν οὖν κατ' αὐτὴν τὴν κορυφὴν τοῦ λεχθέντος σχήματος, ήδη πως ύποπίπτον τη διακεκαυμένη, λέγομεν εξ είκασμοῦ διὰ τὸ ἀπρόσιτον, ὥστ' οὐδὲ τὸ μέγιστον πλάτος τῆς χώρας έχοιμεν ἄν λέγειν το μέντοι τοσούτον έν τοις πρόσθεν λόγοις έφαμεν, ότι έξ 'Αλεξανδρείας είς Μερόην το βασίλειον των Αιθιόπων πρός νότον ζόντι στάδιοί είσε περί μυρίους, έκειθεν δ' έπ' εύθείας έπι τούς δρους της διακεκαυμένης και της οἰκουμένης άλλοι τρισχίλιοι. τὸ γοῦν αὐτὸ θετέον τὸ μέγιστον πλάτος της Λιβύης, μυρίους και τρισχιλίους ή τετρακισχιλίους στάδιους, μήκος δὲ μικρῷ ἔλαττον ή διπλάσιον. τὰ καθ' όλου μὲν ταῦτα περί Λιβύης τὰ καθ' έκαστα δὲ λεκτέον, ἀρξαμένοις άπο των έσπερίων μερών και των επιφανεστέρων.

2. Οἰκοῦσι δ' ἐνταῦθα Μαυρούσιοι μὲν ὑπὸ τῶν Ἑλλήνων λεγόμενοι, Μαῦροι δ' ὑπὸ τῶν 'Ρωμαίων καὶ τῶν ἐπιχωρίων, Λιβυκὸν ἔθνος κατὰ τῶν ἐπιχωρίων, Λιβυκὸν ἔθνος κατὰ τῶν ἐπιχωρίων, Στήλας τᾶς Ἡρακλείους πορθμός ἐστι, περὶ οὐ πολλὰ εἴρηται. ἔξω δὲ προελθόντι τοῦ κατὰ τὰς Στήλας πορθμοῦ, τὴν Λιβύην ἐν ἀριστερῷ ἔχωντι ὅρος ἐστίν, ὅπερ οἱ μὲν Ἑλληνες Ατλαντα καλοῦσιν, οἱ βάρβαροι δὲ Δύριν, ἐντεῦθεν δὲ πρόπους ἔκκειταί τις

¹ Майрос... фихмиріат, Kramer transfers from a position after «Копция».

GEOGRAPHY, 17. 3. 1-2

Nile to Maurusia and the Pillars, and as the side perpendicular to this that which is formed by the Nile as far as Acthiopia and by me produced to the ocean, and as the side subtending the right angle the whole of the coast between the Aethiopians and the Maurusians. Now as for the part at the very vertex of the above-mentioned figure, which begins approximately with the torrid zone, I speak only from conjecture, because it is inaccessible, so that I cannot tell even its maximum breadth, although in a previous part of my work 1 I have said thus much, that, as one goes southward from Alexandria to Meroe, the royal scat of the Aethiopians, the distance is about ten thousand stadia, and from there in a straight line to the boundaries between the torrid zone and the inhabited world three thousand more. At any rate, the same should be put down as the maximum breadth of Libya, I mean thirteen or fourteen thousand stadia, and a little less than double that sum as the length. This, then, is my account of Libya as a whole, but I must describe it in detail, beginning with its western, or more famous, parts.

2. Here dwell a people whom the Greeks call Maurusians, and the Romans and the natives Mauria large and prosperous Libyan tribe, who live on the side of the strait opposite Iberia. Here also is the strait which is at the Pillars of Heracles, concerning which I have often spoken. On proceeding outside the strait at the Pillars, with Libya on the left, one comes to a mountain which the Greeks call Atlas and the barbarians Dyris. From this mountain pro-

ύστατος πρός δύσιν της Μαυρουσίας αι Κώτεις γελομεκαι, μγιλαίου ες και μογίχνιου πικόρο ύπερ της βαλάττης, όπερ Τίγγα καλούσιν οἰ βάρβαροι, Λύγγα δό Αρτεμίδωρος προσηγόρευκε, Έρατοσθένης δε Λίξον κείται δ' άντίπορθμον τοις Γαδείροις εν διάρματι σταδίων όκτακοσίων, όσον έκάτερα διέχει τοῦ κατὰ τὰς Στήλας πορθμοῦ πρὸς νότον δὲ τῷ Λίξφ καὶ ταὶς Κώτεσι παράκειται κόλπος Ἐμπορικὸς Ο 826 καλούμενος, έχων Φοινικικάς έμπορικάς κατοικίας. έστι μέν οὖν πάσα ή συνεχής τῷ κόλπφ τούτφ παραλία κολπώδης, υπεξαιρουμένω δε τους κόλπους καὶ τὰς ἐξοχὰς κατὰ τὸ σχήμα τὸ τριγωνοειδές, δ ύπέγραψα, νοείσθω μάλλον έπὶ την μεσημβρίαν αμα καὶ τὴν έω λαμβάνουσα τὴν αυξησιν ή ήπειρος. τὸ δ΄ όρος διὰ μέσης ἐκτεινόμενου τῆς Μαυρουσίας τὸ ἀπὸ τῶν Κώτεων μέχρι και Σύρτεων οίκειται και αυτό και άλλα παράλληλα αὐτῆ κατ' ἀρχὰς μὲν ύπὸ τῶν Μαυρουσίων, έν βάθει δὲ τῆς χώρας ὑπὸ τοῦ μεγίστου τῶν Λιβυκῶν ἐθυῶν, οἱ Γαίτουλοι λέγονται.

3. Πλείστα δὲ πλάσματα τῆ Λιβυκῆ παραλία τη έκτὸς προσεψεύσαντο οἱ συγγραφεῖς, ἀρξάμενοι άπο του 'Οφέλα 3 περίπλου: περί ων εμνήσθημέν που καὶ πρότερου, καὶ νῦν δὲ λέγομεν, συγγνώμην αλτούμενοι της τερατολογίας, εάν που Βιασθώμεν

¹ Tplyna E. * Λόγκα Ε. Occor Ald.; Tyrwhitt conj. Ar/Akz.

¹ The same as Tingis (3. 1. 8). Strabo is confusing Ting's (now Tangiers) with Lynx or Lixus (now El Araisch or Larasch); see § 8 following.

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jects a farthermost spur, as it were, towards the west of Maurusia-the Coteis, as it is called; and near by is a small town above the sea which the barbarians call Tinx,1 though Artemidorus has given it the name Lynx and Eratosthenes Lixus.2 It is situated across the strait opposite Gadeira at a distance of eight hundred stadia, which is about the distance of each of the two places from the strait at the Pillars. To the south of Lixus and the Coteis lies a gulf called the Emporicus 4 Gulf, which contains settlements of Phoenician merchants. Now the whole of the coast continuous with this gulf is indented by gulfs, but one should exclude from consideration the gulfs and the projections of land, in accordance with the triangular figure which I have suggested, and conceive rather of the continent as increasing in extent in the direction of the south and east.5 The mountain, which extends through the middle of Maurusia from the Coteis to the Syrtes, is inhabited, both itself and other mountains that run parallel with Maurusia, at first by the Maurusians but deep in the interior by the largest of the Libyan tribes, who are called Gaetulians.

3. The historians, beginning with The Circumnavigation of Ophelas, have added numerous other fabrications in regard to the outside coast of Libya; and these I have already mentioned somewhere before, but I am again speaking of them, asking pardon for introducing marvellous stories, if per-

1. 1. 5, and 3. 2. 13.

⁵ f.c. this side forms the hypotenuse and runs in a southeasterly direction.

Atlas.
 Ophelas of Cyrenš (Diodorus Siculus 18. 21, 20. 40-42, and Plutarch, Demetrius 14); see critical note.

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έκπεσεῖν εἴς τι τοιοῦτο, φεύγοντες τὸ πάντα σιγῷ παραπέμπειν καὶ τρόπον τινὰ πηροῦνὶ τὴν ἱστορίαν. φασὶ δ οῦν τὸν Ἐμπορικὸν κόλπον ἄντρον ἔχειν εἰσω δεχόμενον τὴν θάλατταν ἐν ταῖς πλημμυρίσι μέχρι καὶ ἐπτὰ σταδίων, προκείμενον δὲ τούτον ταπεινὸν καὶ ὁμαλὸν χωρίον, ἔχον Ἡρακλέους βωμόν, ἢν οὐκ ἐπικλύζεσθαὶ φασιν ὑπὸ τῆς πλημμυρίδος ἔν δὲ δῆ τι τῶν πλασμάτων νομίζω τοῦτο. ἐγγὺς δὲ τούτω τὸ ἐν τοῖς ἐξῆς κόλποις κατοικίας λόγεσθαι παλαιὰς Τυρίων, ὡς ἐρῆμους εἰναι νῦν, οὐκ ἐλαττόνων ἡ τριακοσίων πόλεων, ὡς οἱ Φαρούσιοι καὶ οἱ Νιγρῦται ² ἐξεπόρθησαν διέχειν δὲ τούτους τῆς

Λυγγός φασιν ήμερῶν τριάκοντα όδόν.

4. Το μέντοι τὴν Μαυρουσίαν εὐδαίμονα εἰναι το χώραν πλὴν δλίγης ἐρήμου καὶ ποταμοῖς τε καὶ λίμναις κεχορηγήσθαι παρὰ πάιτων ὁμολογεῦται, μεγαλόδενδρός τε καὶ πολύδενδρος ὑπερβαλλόντως ἐστὶ καὶ πάμφορος τὰς γοῦν μονοξύλους τραπέζας ποικιλωτάτας καὶ μεγίστας ἐκείνη τοῖς Ρομαίοις χορηγεῖ. τοῦς δὲ ποταμοὺς ἔχειν φασὶ καὶ κροκοδείλους καὶ ἄλλα γένη ζώων ἐμφερῆ τοῖς ἐν τῷ Νείλου πηγὰς πλησιάζειν οἰονται τοῖς ἄκροις τῆς Μαυρουσίας. ἐν ποταμῷ δὲ τινι γεννᾶσθαι βδέλλας ἐπταπήχεις, κατατετρημένα ἐχούσας τὰ βραγχία, δι' ὧν ἀναπνέουσι. καὶ ταῦτα δὲ λέγουσι περὶ τῆς χώρας, ὅτι ἄμπελος ψύεται δυσίν ἀνδράσι τὸ πάχος δυσπερίληπτος, βότρυν πηχυαίόν πως

πηρούν Ε, πληρούν other MSS.

Nyppras EA, Nuppiras D, Neppiras other MSS.

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chance I shall be forced to digress into a thing of that sort, since I am unwilling wholly to pass them over in silence and in a way to cripple my history. Now they say that the Emporious Gulf has a cave which at the full tides admits the sea inside it for a distance of even seven stadia, and that in front of this gulf there is a low, level place containing an altar of Heraeles, which, they say, is never inundated by the tide-and it is this that I regard as one of their fabrications. And nearly as bad as this is the statement that on the gulfs which come next after the Emporious Gulf there were ancient settlements of Tyrians, now deserted-no fewer than three hundred cities, which were destroyed by the Pharusians and the Nigritae; and these people, they say, are at a distance of a thirty days' journey from Lynx.

4. However, it is agreed by all that Maurusia is a fertile country, except a small desert part, and is supplied with both lakes and rivers. It is surpassing in the size and in the number of its trees, and is also productive of everything; at any rate, this is the country which supplies the Romans with the tables that are made of one single piece of wood, very large and most variegated. The rivers are said to contain crocodiles, as also other kinds of animals similar to those in the Nile. Some think that even the sources of the Nile are near the extremities of Maurusia. And they say that in a certain river are found leeches 1 seven cubits long, with gills pierced through with holes, through which they breathe. They also say of this country that it produces a vine so thick that it can hardly be encircled by the arms of two men, and that it yields clusters of

¹ They meant leech-fish, i.e. lamproys.

άποδιδούσα. Βοτάνη τε ύψηλη πάσα και λάγανου, οίου 1 άρου 2 καὶ δρακόντιου, οἱ δὲ τῶν σταφυλίνων καυλοί και ίππομαράθου και σκολύμων δωδεκαπήχεις, τὸ δὲ πάχος παλαιστών C 827 τεττάρων· καὶ δρακόντων δὲ καὶ ἐλεφάντων καὶ δορκάδων και βουβάλων και των παραπλησίων ζώων, λεόντων τε καὶ παρδάλεων, παντοδαπή τροφός ή χώρα έστί. φέρει δὲ καὶ γαλάς αἰλούροις ίσας και όμοίας, πλήν ότι τὰ ρύγχη προπέπτωκε μάλλον, πιθήκων τε πάμπολυ πλήθος, περί ών και Ποσειδώνιος εξρηκεν, ότι πλέων έκ Γαδείρων είς την Ίταλίαν προσενεχθείη τή Λιβυκή παραλία και ίδοι τών θηρίων μεστόν τινα τούτων άλιτενή δρυμόν, των μέν έπὶ τοῖς δένδρεσι, των δ' έπὶ γής, εχύντων ενίων καὶ σκύμνους καὶ ἐπεχόντων μαστόν γελάν οὖν όρων βαρυμάστους, ένίους δὲ φαλακρούς, τοὺς δὲ κηλήτας και άλλα τοιαθτα επιφαίνοντας σίνη.

5. Υπέρ ταύτης δ' έστὶν ἐπὶ τῆ ἔξω βαλάττη ἡ τῶν ἐσπερίων καλουμένων Αἰθιόπων χώρα, κακῶς οἰκουμένη τὸ πλέον. ἐνταῦθα δὲ καὶ καμηλοπαρδάλεις φησὶν Ἰφικράτης ³ γενεᾶσθαι καὶ ἐλέφαιτας καὶ τοὺς καλουμένους ρίζεις, οἴ ταυροιδεῖς μέν εἰσι τὴν μορφήν, κατὰ δὲ τὴν δίαιταν καὶ τὸ μέγεθος καὶ τὴν ἀλκὴν τὴν πρὸς μέγην

δρον, Jones inserts (Greakurd ofer τδ).
 δρον, Corais, for reapér.
 Υφικράτης, Corais.

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¹ They meant in length, apparently, and not in circumference (op. 2. 1. 14 and 11. 10. 1).

Apparently Aram manulatum (cuckoo-pint) and Dracunculus (cp. Pliny 24. 91-92 and Theophrastus 1. 6. 6, 7. 12. 2).
 A kind of carrot or paranip.

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about one cubit; and that every herb grows high, and every vegetable, as, for example, area and dracontium; 2 and the stalks of the staphylini 3 and the hippomarathi and the scolymi grow twelve cubits high and four palms thick. And for serpents, also, and elephants and gazelles and bubali and similar animals, as also for lions and leonards, the country is a nurse in every way. It also produces ferrets? equal in size to cats, and like them, except that their noses project further; and also a very great number of apes, concerning which Poseidonius states that, when he was sailing from Gadeira to Italy, he was carried close to the Libyan coast and saw on a low-lying shore a forest full of these animals, some in the trees and others on the ground, and some having young and suckling them; that he fell to laughing, however, when he saw some with heavy udders, some with bald heads, and others ruptured or displaying other disabilities of that kind.

5. Above Maurusia, on the outside sca, lies the country of the western Acthiopians, as they are called, a country for the most part poorly settled. Here too, according to Iphicrates, are found camelopards, elephants, and the rhizeis, as they are called, which are like bulls in their form, but like elephants in their manner of living and their

· Apparently the antelope bubalis.

⁴ f.c. horse-fennel. An edible kind of thistle.

Cp. 3. 2. 6.
 Possibly a copyist's error for "Hypierates" (see Vol. III,

p. 245, note 2).
• 4.c. animals with noses "like roots"; perhaps the writer quoted meant the rhinoceros, but elsewhere (10. 4. 15) Strabo himself uses the word "rhinoceros."

ελέφασιν ἐοίκασι δράκοντάς τε λέγει μεγάλους, ώστε καὶ πόαν ἐπιπεφυκέναι τοὺς δὲ λέοντας τοῖς πώλοις τῶν ἐλεφάντων ἐπιτίβεσθαι, αἰμάἔαντας δὲ φεύγειν, ἐπιουσῶν τῶν μητέρων τὰς δ΄, ἐπειδὰν ἱδωσιν ἡμαγμένους, κτείνειν ἐπανιόντας ἐὲ τοὺς λέοντας ἐπὶ τὰ πτώματα νεκροφαγείν. Βόγον δέ, τὸν βασιλέα τῶν Μαυρουσίων, ἀναβάντα ἐπὶ τοὺς ἐσπερίους Αἰβίοπας, καταπέμιψαι τῆ γυναικὶ δῶρα καλάμους τοῖς Ἰνδικοῖς ὁμοίους, ὡν ἔκαστον γόνυ χοίνικας χωρεῖν² ὁκτώ· καὶ

άσπαράγων δ' έμφερη μεγέθη.

Tiye, the editors, for Tiya.

Kéreur E, Kuralus other MSS.

ols ye, Corais. 2 xupour Eors.

Magazoulier Et, Magazoulier F, Maggazoulier other MSS.

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size and their courage in fighting. And he speaks of serpents so large that even grass grows upon their backs; and says that the lions attack the young of the clephants, but, after they have drawn blood, fiee when the mothers approach, and that the mothers, when they see their young stained with blood, kill them, and that the lions return to the victims and cat them. And he says that Bogus, the king of the Maurusians, when he went up against the western Aethiopians, sent down to his wife as gifts reeds like those of India, of which each joint held eight choenices, and also asparagus of similar size.

6. As one sails into the inner sea from Lynx, one comes to the city Zelis and to Tinx; and then to the Monuments of the Seven Brothers 2 and to the mountain that lies above them, Abilê by name, which abounds in wild animals and large trees, The length of the strait at the Pillars is said to be one hundred and twenty stadia, and the minimum breadth, measured at Elephas, sixty. On sailing into the sea, one comes next to several cities and riversto the Molochath 2 River, which forms the boundary between the lands of the Maurusians and the Masaesylians. Near the river lies a large promontory, and also Metagonium, a waterless and barren place; and I might almost say that the mountain which begins at the Coteis extends as far as this; and its length from the Coteis to the boundaries of the Masaesylians

1 About a gallon and a half.

Now the Mulujah.

The seven "Monuments" or mountain-peaks.

^{*} Magaigullur, Kramer, for Maraigulur F, Magaigullur other MSS.

πεντακισχίλιοι. έστι δὲ τὸ Μεταγώνιον κατά νέαν που Καρχηδόνα εν τη περαία Τιμοσθένης δ΄ οὐκ εὐ κατὰ Μασσαλίαν φησίν. ἔστι δ΄ έκ C 828 Καρχηδόνος νέας δίαρμα els Μεταγώνιον στάδιοι τρισχίλιοι, παράπλους δὲ είς Μασσαλίαν ύπερ

έξακισχιλίων.

7. Οδτω δ' εὐδαίμονα χώραν οἰκοῦντες την πλείστην οἰ Μαυρούσιοι διατελοῦσιν, δμως καὶ μέχρι δεθρο του χρόνου νομαδικώς ζώντες οἰ πολλοί, καλλωπίζονται δ' όμως κόμης έμπλοκή καὶ πώγωνι καὶ χρυσοφορία σμήξει τε δδόντων και δυυχισμών σπάνιδυ το αν ίδοις άπτομένους άλληλων έν τοίς περιπάτοις του παραμένειν αὐτοῖς ἄθικτον τὸν κόσμον τῶν τριχῶν. μάχονται δ' Ιππόται τὸ πλέον ἀπὸ ἄκουτος, σχοινοχαλίνοις χρώμενοι τοις ίπποις και γυμνοίς, έχουσι δε και μαχαίρας οί δε πεζοί τὰς τῶν ελεφάντων δορὰς ώς ασπίδας προβάλλονται τὰς δὲ τῶν λεόντων καὶ παρδάλεων καὶ ἄρκτων άμπέχονται καὶ έγκοιμώνται. σχεδόν δέ τι και ούτοι και οί έφεξής Μασαισύλιοι 1 καὶ κοινώς Λίβυες κατά το πλέον ομοιόσκευοί είσι και τὰ άλλα ἐμφερεῖς, μικροίς ἔπποις χρώμενοι, όξέσι δε και εὐπειθέσιν, ώστ' άπο ραβδίου ολακίζεσθαι. περιτραχήλια δὲ ξύλινα ή τρίχινα, ἀφ' ών ὁ ρυτήρ ἀπήρτηται ένιοι δέ και χωρίς όλκης επουται ώς κύνες. πέλτη μικρά βυρσίνη, πλατύλογχα μικρά, άζωστοι πλατύσημοι χιτώνες, ἐπιπόρπημα, ὡς ἔφην, δορά καὶ προθωράκιου. Φαρούσιοι² δὲ καὶ

* Φαυρούσιοι Ε, Φαορούσιοι Ο

¹ Μασαισύλιοι Ε, Μασαίσυλοι Ε, Μασσάσυλοι D, Μασσαίσυλοι other MSS

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is five thousand stadia. Metagonium is about opposite New Carthage, on the other side of the sea, but Timosthenes wrongly says that it is opposite Massalia. The passage across from New Carthage to Metagonium is three thousand stadia, and the coasting-voyage to Massalia is over six thousand.

7. Although the most of the country inhabited by the Maurusians is so fertile, yet even to this time most of the people persist in living a nomadic life. But nevertheless they beautify their appearance by braiding their hair, growing beards, wearing golden ornaments, and also by cleaning their teeth and paring their nails. And only rarely can you see them touch one another in walking, for fear that the adornment of their hair may not remain intact. Their horsemen fight mostly with a javelin, using bridles made of rush, and riding bareback; but they also carry daggers. The foot-soldiers hold before them as shields the skins of elephants, and clothe themselves with the skins of lions, leopards, and bears, and sleep in them. I might almost say that these people, and the Masaesylians, who live next after them, and the Libyans in general, dress alike and are similar in all other respects, using horses that are small but swift, and so ready to obey that they are governed with a small rod. The horses wear collars made of wood s or of hair, to which the rein is fastened, though some follow even without being led, like dogs. These people have small shields made of raw-hide, small spears with broad heads, wear ungirded tunies with wide borders, and, as I have said, use skins as mantles and shields.

Now Cartagena. Now Marseilles.

Νίγρητες 1 οἱ ύπὲρ τούτων οἰκοῦντες πρὸς τοῖς έσπερίοις Αλθίοψι καλ τοξεύουσι, καθάπερ καλ οί Αίθίσπες χρώνται δέ καὶ δρεπανηφόροις αρμασι. μίσγονται δε και τοις Μαυρουσίοις οί Φαρούσιοι διά της ερήμου σπανίως, ύπο ταῖς κοιλίαις των ιππων υπαρτώντες τους άσκους του ύδατος έστι δ' ότε καὶ εἰς Κίρταν ἀφικνοῦνται διά τινων τόπων έλωδων καὶ λιμνών. τινὰς δ' αὐτῶν καὶ Τρωγλοδυτικῶς οἰκεῖν φασιν ὀρύττοντας την γήν. λέγεται δε κάνταῦθα τοὺς θερινούς δμβρους επιπολάζειν, χειμώνος δε είναι άνυδρίαν ένίους δε τών ταύτη βαρβάρων καὶ όφεων και ίχθύων δοραίς άμπεχόναις τε και στρώμασι χρήσθαι. τοὺς δὲ Μαυρουσίους ² ἔνιοί φασιν Ίνδους είναι τους συγκατελθόντας Ήρακλεῖ δεύρο. μικρόν μέν οὐν πρό ήμῶν οί περὶ Βόγον 3 βασιλείς και Βόκχου κατείχου αυτήν, φίλοι Ρωμαίων όντες έκλιπόντων δε τούτων, Ιούβας παρέλαβε την άρχην, δόντος τοῦ Σεβαστοῦ Καίσαρος και ταυτην αυτώ την άρχην πρός τή πατρώα υίδς δ' ην Ιούβα τοῦ πρός Καίσαρα τὸν θεὸν πολεμήσαντος μετὰ Σκιπίωνος. Ἰούβας μεν οθν νεωστί ετελεύτα του βίου, διαδέδεκται δε την άρχην υίδς Πτολεμαΐος, γεγονώς έξ 'Αντωνίου θυγατρός καὶ Κλεοπάτρας.

C 829 8. 'Αρτεμίδωρος δ' Έρατοσθένει μὲν ἀντιλέγει, διότι Λίξον ε τινά φησι πόλιν περί τὰ ἄκρα τῆς

¹ Neypares DFA.

Bor Maspaucious, Meincke writes Dapsvelous.

Boyes, Casaubon, for Boxxo. A, Boyxos i, Boyxos other

Affar Fs, Affar other MSS.

The Pharusians and Nigretes 1 who live above these people near the western Aethiopians also use bows, like the Aethiopians; and they also use scythebearing chariots. The Pharusians mingle only rarely even with the Maurusians when passing through the desert, since they carry skins of water fastened beneath the bellies of their horses. Sometimes, however, they come even to Cirta, passing through certain marshy regions and over lakes. Some of them are said to live like Troglodytes, digging homes in the earth. And it is said that here too the summer rains are prevalent, but that in winter there is a drought, and that some of the barbarians in this part of the world use also the skins of snakes and fish both as wraps and as bed-covers. And the Maurusians 2 are said by some to be the Indians who came thither with Heracles. Now a little before my time the kings of the house of Bogus and of Bocchus, who were friends of the Romans, possessed the country, but when these died Juba succeeded to the throne, Augustus Caesar having given him this in addition to his father's empire. He was the son of the Juba who with Scipio waged war against the deified Caesar. Now Juba died lately,3 but his son Ptolemy, whose mother was the daughter of Antony and Cleopatra, has succeeded to the throne.

8. Artemidorus disputes the view of Eratosthenes because the latter calls a certain city in the neigh-

³ About A.D. 19.

¹ Apparently a copyist's error for "Nigritae" (the spelling in 2. 5. 33, 16. 4. 37 and 17. 3. 3).

² Apparently an error for "Pharusians" (see Sallust, Jugurlha, 18, Pomponius Mela, 3, 10, Pliny, 5, 8, and critical note).

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Μαυρουσίας τὰ έσπέρια ἀντὶ Λυγγός. Φοινικικάς δε πόλεις κατεσκαμμένας 1 παμπόλλας τινάς, ών ούδεν ίδειν έστιν έχνος. εν δε τοις έσπερίοις Αλθίοψι, τοὺς ἀέρας πλατεῖς φήσας,2 ταῖς τε δρθριναίς ώραις και ταίς δειλιναίς παχείς και άχλυώδεις είναι τους άέρας πῶς γὰρ ἐν αύχμώδεσι και καυματηροίς τόποις ταῦτ' είναι; αὐτὸς δε τούτων πολύ χείρω λέγει περί τους αυτούς τόπους μετανάστας γάρ τινας ίστορεί Λωτοφάγους, οί την άνυδρον νέμοιντο, σιτοίντο δὸ λωτόν, πόαν τινά καὶ ρίζαν, άφ' ής οὐδεν δέοιντο ποτού παρήκειν δ' αὐτούς μέχρι τῶν ὑπὲρ Κυρήνης τόπων' τοὺς δ' ἐκεῖ καὶ γαλακτοποτεῖν καί κρεωφαγείν, καίπερ ταὐτοκλινείς όντας. καί Γαβίνιος 3 δε ό των 'Ρωμαίων συγγραφεύς 4 ούκ άπέχεται της τερατολογίας της περl την Mauρουσίαν πρός γάρ τη Λυγγίδ 'Ανταίου μυθμα ίστορει και σκελετου πηχών εξήκουτα, δυ Σερτώριον γυμνώσαι καὶ πάλιν ἐπιβαλεῖν γῆν. καὶ τὰ περί τῶν ελεφάντων μυθώδη, φησί γὰρ τάλλα μεν θηρία φεύγειν το πυρ, τους δ' ελέφαντας πολεμείν και αμύνεσθαι, διότι την ύλην φθείρευ πρός δε τους άνθρώπους διαμάχεσθαι, κατασκόπους προπέμποντας, καί, όταν ίδωσιν ἐκείνους φεύγουτας,6 φεύγειν καὶ αὐτούς, ἐπειδὰν δὲ?

ι κατεστασμένας Ε, κατεσκευασμένας ποχ.

^{*} robs hipas *Aurels offens, Corais and others bracket, Meineke ejects.

Tarbotos E, Tarbotos to.

ουγγραφίων MSS. Αυγγί Dmozz.

^{фейуантая, Corais inserts.}

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bourhood of western extremities of Maurusia " Lixus " instead of Lynx; and because he calls "Phoenician" a very great number of rased cities of which no trace is to be seen ;1 and because, after calling the air among the western Aethiopians "salty,"2 he says that the air is thick and misty in the hours both of early morning and of evening. For, argues Artemidorus, how can these things be in a region that is arid and torrid? But he himself gives a much worse account of the same region, for he tells a story of certain migrants, Lotophagi,3 who roam the waterless country and feed on lotus, a kind of plant and root, from eating which they have no need of drink; and that they extend as far as the region above Cyrene; but that those in that region also drink milk and cat meat, although they are in the same latitude. And Gabinius also, the Roman historian, does not abstain from telling marvellous stories of Maurusia; for example, he tells a story of a tomb of Antaeus near Lynx, and a skeleton sixty feet in length, which, he says, Sertorius exposed to view, and then covered again with earth.4 And he tells fabulous stories about the elephants; for example, he says that whereas the other animals fice from fire, the elephants carry on war with it and defend themselves against it, because it destroys the timber, and that they engage in battle with human beings, sending out scouts before them, and that when they see them fleeing, they flee too, and that when they

1 See § 3 (above).

I Lotus-eaters.

^{*} The usual meaning of the Greek adjective is "broad" or "list"; but Eratesthenes must have used it in the sense of "saity."

⁴ So Platarch (Sertorius 9).

τραύματα λάβωσιν, ίκετηρίαν ¹ προτείνειν κλάδους

ή βοτάνην ή κόνιν.

9. Μετά δὲ τὴν τῶν Μαυρουσίων γῆν ἡ τῶν Μασαισυλίων 2 ἐστίν, ἀπὸ τοῦ Μολοχὰθ ποταμοῦ την άρχην λαμβάνουσα, τελευτώσα δὲ ἐπὶ την άκραν, ή καλείται Τρητόν,³ δριον τής τε Μασαισυλίων καὶ τῆς Μασυλιέων 5 γῆς. στάδιοι δ' είσιν ἀπὸ τοῦ Μεταγωνίου μέχρι τοῦ Τρητοῦ έξακισχίλιοι οί δ' έλάττους φασίν. έχει δ' ή παραλία πόλεις τε πλείους καὶ ποταμούς καὶ χώραν εὐφυῆ, τών δ' έν δυόματι άρκει μνησθήναι. έστι δὲ πόλις Σίγα ἐν χιλίοις σταδίοις ἀπὸ τῶν λεχθέντων δρων, καὶ βασίλειου Σόφακος. 6 κατέσπασται δὲ νῦν· τὴν δὲ χώραν μετὰ Σόφακα? κατέσχε Μασανάσσης, είτα Μικίψας, είτα και οι δκείνου διαδεξάμενοι, καθ' ήμᾶς δὲ Ἰούβας ὁ πατὴρ τοῦ νεωστί τελευτήσαντος Ιούβα· κατέσπασται δέ καὶ Ζάμα τὸ τούτου βασίλειου ὑπὸ Ῥωμαίωυ. μετά δε την Σίγαν θεών λιμην εν εξακοσίοις σταδίοις εἶτ' ἄλλοι ἄσημοι τόποι. τὰ μὲν οῦν έν βάθει της χώρας όρεινα και έρημα 10 (έσθ' ότε παρέσπαρται, α κατέχουσιν οι Γαίτουλοι 11) μέχρι καί Σύρτεων, τὰ δ' έκεῖ πρὸς θαλάττη καὶ πεδία

1 Inernalar, Cornie, for Impripator.

Massisvalur EF, Massaisvalur other MSS. * Tenris, inserted by the later editors from conj. of Casaubon.

4 Massasykler F. Massassykler 2, Massassker other MSS. * Μασυλιέων, Kramer, for Μασυλίβων: Μασσυλιαίων, Corais.
* Συόφακος C, Συοφάκας DFArze, Σόφακος editors before Kramer.

Zúpasa (but o above w) C, Zopása Dh, Zvopásav zz. Marardorus Oi, Mararlorus editors before Kramer.

· Myav, Corais, for Mya.

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receive wounds, as suppliants they hold out branches of a tree or an herb or dust.

9. After the land of the Maurusians, one comes to that of the Masnesylians, which takes its beginning at the Molochath River and ends at the promontory which is called Tretum, the boundary between the lands of the Masaesylians and the Masylians. The distance from Metagonium to Tretum is six thousand stadia, though some say less. The coast has several cities and rivers and a goodly territory, but it is sufficient to mention only those of renown. At a distance of one thousand stadia from the abovementioned boundaries is Siga, which was the royal residence of Sophax, though it is now in ruins. After Sophax the country was possessed by Masanasses, and then by Micipsas, and then by his successors, and in my time by Juba, the father of the Juba who recently died. Zama, his royal residence, has also been laid in ruins by the Romans. After Sign, and at a distance of six hundred stadia, one comes to Theon Limen; 1 and then to the other, insignificant, places. Now the parts deep in the interior 2 are indeed mountainous and desert (sometimes they are interspersed with habitations and these parts are held by the Gaetulians 1), even as far as the Syrtes, but the

See 17. 3. 2 (end).

11 Pergunos E, Pérovnos other MSS.

^{1 &}quot;Gods' Harbour."

The text of the passage in parentheses is doubtful (see critical note).

¹⁵ After forms Groskurd inserts των δὲ κεὶ οἰκήσιμα; Meineke indicates a lacuna there; Corais conj. δεη for πότε.

εὐδαίμονά ἐστι καὶ πόλεις πολλαὶ καὶ ποταμοὶ

C 830 10 Ποσι

10. Ποσειδώνιος δ' ούκ οίδ' εἰ ἀληθεύει, φήσας δλίγοις και μικροίς διαρρείσθαι ποταμοίς την Λιβύην αυτούς γάρ, οδς 'Αρτεμίδωρος εἴρηκε, τούς μεταξύ τῆς Λυγγός και Καρχηδόνος και πολλούς εἰρηκε καὶ μεγάλους. ἐν δὲτῆ μεσογαία ταῦτ' άληθέστερον εἰπεῖν' εἴρηκε δὲ τούτου τὴν αίτίαν αυτός, μη γάρ κατομβρείσθαι τοίς άρκτικοίς μέρεσι, καθάπερ οὐδέ την Αίθιοπίαν φασίδιό πολλάκις λοιμικά έμπίπτειν ύπο αύχμων καὶ τὰς λίμνας τελμάτων πίμπλασθαι καὶ τῆν ἀκρίδα έπιπολάζειν. έτι φησί τὰ μέν ανατολικά ύγρα είναι, τὸν γὰρ ήλιον ἀνίσχοντα ταχὺ παραλλάττειν, τὰ δ' ἐσπέρια ξηρά, ἐκεῖ γὰρ καταστρέφειν. ύγρα γαρ και ξηρά, τα μεν παρ' ύδάτων αφθονίαν ή σπάνιν λέγεται, τὰ δὲ παρὰ τὴν τῶν ἡλίων βούλεται δὲ λέγειν τὰ παρὰ τοὺς ἡλίους ταῦτα δε πάντες άρκτικοῖς καὶ μεσημβρινοῖς κλίμασιν άφορίζουσε και μήν ανατολικά τε και δυσμικά, τά μέν πρός τὰς οἰκήσεις λεγόμενα, καθ' έκάστην την οίκησιν και την μετάπτωσιν των όριζοντων άλλα έστίν, ώστ' οὐδ' ένεστι 3 καθολικώς εἰπεῖν έπὶ τῶν ἀπεριλήπτων τὸ πλήθος, ὅτι τὰ μὲν άνατολικά ύγρά, τὰ δὲ δυσμικά ξηρά. ὡς δὲ λέγεται πρός την οίκουμένην όλην και τάς

à Anderes E, annofe un, annog other MSS.

^{*} robs perago . . . espace, omitted by MSS. except EF.

¹ The text is corrupt. Strabo probably wrote merely this: "for Artemidorus calls them many and large" (see critical note).

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parts there near the sea consist of fertile plains, many cities, rivers, and lakes.

I do not know whether Poseidonius tells the truth when he says that Libya is intersected by rivers "only few and small"; for merely the rivers mentioned by Artemidorus, those between Lynx and Carthage, are by him called "both many and large," 1 This statement can be made more truthfully in regard to the interior of the country; and he himself2 states the cause of this, saying that "no rain falls in the northern parts," as is also said to be the case in Acthiopia, and therefore pestilences often ensue because of droughts, and the lakes are filled with mud, and the locust is prevalent. And he further says that "the eastern regions are moist, for the sun passes quickly when it is rising, whereas the western regions are arid, for there it turns back." 3 For regions are called moist and arid, partly in proportion to abundance or scarcity of waters, and partly in proportion to that of the sun's rays; but Poseidonius means to speak only of the effects of the sun's rays; and these effects are by all writers defined by latitude, north or south; and indeed both the eastern and western regions, when spoken of with reference to the habitations of man, vary according to each several habitation and the change in their horizons, so that it is also impossible to make a general assertion in regard to places whose number passes all comprehension that the eastern are moist and the western arid; but since such statements are made with reference to the in-

^{*} Poseidonius.

^{*} Thus slowing down in making the turn back, as Strabo interprets it.

έσχατιὰς τὰς τοιαύτας, οἵα καὶ ἡ Ἰνδικὴ καὶ ἡ 'Ιβηρία, λόγοι ἄν, εἰ ἄρα, την τοιαύτην ἀπόφασιν. τίς ούν ή πιθανότης της αιτιολογίας; έν γάρ περιφορά συνεχεί τε και άδιαλείπτω τοθ ήλίου τίς αν είη καταστροφή; τό τε τάχος της παραλλαγής 2 πανταχού ίσον. άλλως τε παρά την ενάργειάν ε έστι, τὰ έσχατα της Ίβηρίας η της Μαυρουσίας τὰ πρὸς δύσιν ξηρὰ λέγειν άπάντων μάλιστα· καὶ γὰρ τὸ περιέχον εὔκρατον έχει 4 και πλείστων ύδάτων εύπορεί. εί δὲ τὸ καταστρέφειν τοιούτον είληπται, ότι ένταῦθα τὰ ύστατα της οἰκουμένης ύπερ γης γίνεται, τί τοῦτο συντείνει πρὸς ξηρασίαν; καὶ γὰρ ἐνταῦθα καὶ έν τοῖς άλλοις τόποις τῆς οἰκουμένης τοῖς ταὐτοκλινέσι, τὸν ἴσον διαλιπών χρόνον τὸν τῆς νυκτός, επάνεισι πάλιν καὶ θερμαίνει την າງກິນ.

11. Έστι δέ που αὐτόθι καὶ ἀσφάλτου πηγή καί χαλκωρυχεία· καί σκορπίων δέ και πτηνών έ καὶ ἀπτέρων λέγεται πλήθος, μεγέθει δὲ 7 έπτασπονδύλων, όμοίως δὲ καὶ φαλάγγια καὶ μεγέθει καὶ πλήθει διαφέρουτα σαύρας δὲ διπήχεις φασίν. ἐν μὲν ούν τῆ παρορείω λίθους εὐρίσκεσθαί φασι τους λυχνίτας και καρχηδονίους λεγο-

E inserts ve after wrygan.

read sand ye instead of al apa. 1 el, mor omit; \$pa, z omits; the editors before Kramer

Ixu, Letronne, for Ixur. 5 Banbepunives E.

After 34, Letronne, citing 15. 1. 87 (occasious . . . bπερβάλλοντας μεγέθεσι) and Lucian De Dipsad. 3, inserts . ύπερβαλλόντων καί.

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habited world as a whole and to such extremities of it as India and Iberia, perhaps he could make such a statement. What plausibility, however, can there be in his explanation of the cause? For in the revolution of the sun, which is continuous and unintermitting, what "turning back" could there be? And further, the speed of the sun's transit is everywhere equal. Besides, it is contrary to the evidence 1 to call the extremities of Iberia or Maurusia, I mean the extremities on the west, the most arid places in the world, for they not only have a temperate atmosphere but also are well supplied with numerous waters. But if the "turning back" of the sun is interpreted in this way, that there it is last above the inhabited world, wherein does this contribute to aridity? For there, as well as in the other places of the inhabited world that are in the same latitude, the sun leaves an equal interval of night, and comes back again and warms the earth.

11. Somewhere here 2 there are also copper mines and a spring of asphalt; and writers speak also of a multitude of scorpions, both winged and wingless. which in size are heptaspondylic,3 and likewise of tarantulas 4 which are exceptional both in size and in number; and lizards which are said to be two cubits long. Now on the mountain-side 6 are said to be found the "Lychnite"s and Carthaginian

¹ One MS, reads "actuality" instead of "evidence" (see critical note).

i.e. in Masacsylia.

i.e. they have "seven vertebrae" (the Pandinus heres); see critical note, and op. 15. 1. 37.

⁴ Cp. 16. 4. 12.

Op. § 19 following. • i.e. "Luminous" stones; apparently a tourmaline.

μένους έν δὲ τοῖς πεδίοις όστρακίων καὶ χηραμύδων 1 πλήθος, οίον έν τοῖς περί τοῦ "Αμμωνος C 831 λόγοις εἰρήκαμεν· καὶ δένδρον δε έστι μελίλωτον καλούμενον, έξ ου σκευάζουσιν οίνον. τινές δ' αύτων και δίκαρπον έχουσι την γην, και δύο θεριστικά καρπούνται, τὰ μέν θερινά, τὰ δ' έαρινά· έστι δὲ ή καλάμη πεντάπηχυς τὸ ὕψος, πάχος δὲ τοῦ μικροῦ δακτύλου, τον δὲ καρπὸν διακοσιοκαιτετταρακοντάχουν ἀποδίδωσι, τοῦ δὲ έσρος ούδε σπείρουσιν, άλλα παλιούροις συνδεδεμέναις ἐπικαταψήσαυτες τὴν χώραν τῷ ἐκπεσόντι στάχυι κατά του θερισμού άρκοθυται τελεσικαρπεί γάρ του θερινόν καρπόν. διά δὲ τὸ πλήθος των θηρίων κυημίδας έχουτες έργάζουται καὶ τάλλα δὲ μέρη διφθεροθυται καθεύδοντες δὲ πεοιγρίουσε τους κλινόποδας σκορόδοις τών σκορπίων χάριν καὶ παλιούροις περιδούσιν.

12. 'Ην δ' ἐν² τῆ παραλία ταύτη πόλις 'Ιὼλ δυομα, ἢν ἐπικτίσας 'Ιούβας ὁ τοῦ Πτολεμαίου πατὴρ μετωνόμασε Καισάρειαν, ἔχουσαν καὶ λιμένα καὶ πρὸ τοῦ λιμένος νησίον. μεταξὸ δὲ τῆς Καισαρείας καὶ τοῦ Τρητοῦ μέγας ἐστὶ λιμήν, ἐν Σάλδαν καλοῦσι: τοῦτο δ' ἐστὶν ὅριον τῆς ὑπὸ τοῖς 'Γουραίοις πολυτρόπως γὰρ οἱ μερισμοὶ γεγένηνταὶ τῆς χώρας, ἄτε τῶν νεμομένων αὐτὴν πλειόνων

^{2 5&#}x27; dr, Casaubon, for St. 2 168a E.

A carbunculus (see Pliny, 37. 25 and 30).

^{*} f.e. "honey-lotus." Strabo calls the melilotus a "tree,"

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stones,1 as they are called, and, in the plains, oystershells and mussel-shells in great quantities, like those mentioned by me in my description of Ammon.2 And there is also a tree called melilotus.3 from which they prepare a wine. And some of the people have land that produces two crops of grain, reaping two harvests, one in spring and the other in summer; and the stalk is five cubits in height, has the thickness of the little finger, and yields a erop 240-fold. In the spring they do not even sow seed, but harrow the ground lightly with bundles of paliuri.4 and are satisfied with the seed-grain that has fallen out of the ear at the time of the harvest : for this produces a perfect summer crop. On account of the number of wild animals 5 they work with leggings on and also clothe the rest of their bodies with skins. And when they lie down to sleep, they smear the feet of their beds with garlic and tie a bunch of paliuri around them, on account of the scorpions.

12. On this coast was a city named Iol, which Juba, the father of Ptolemy, rebuilt, changing its name to Caesareia; it has a harbour, and also, in front of the harbour, a small island. Between Caesareia and Tretum is a large harbour called Salda, which is now a boundary between the territories subject to Juba and the Romans; for the divisions of the country have been made in various ways, inasmuch as its occupants have been several

both here and in § 17 following, but other writers (c.g. Theophrastus, 9. 40, 49) apply the name to a kind of clover.

A kind of thorny shrub (Rhamnus paliurus).
i.e. reptiles in particular, apparently.

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γενομένων και των 'Ρωμαίων άλλοτ' άλλως τούτων τοῖς μέν φίλοις χρωμένων, τοῖς δὲ καὶ πολεμίοις. ώστε και άφαιρείσθαι και χαρίζεσθαι συνέβαινεν ἄλλοις ἄλλα καὶ οὐ τὸν αὐτὸν τρόπον. ην δὲ ή μὲν πρὸς τῆ Μαυρουσία προσοδικωτέρα τε καὶ δυναμικωτέρα, ή δὲ πρὸς τῆ Καρχηδονία καὶ τη Μασυλιέων 1 άνθηροτέρα τε καὶ κατεσκευασμένη βέλτιον, καίπερ κεκακωμένη διά τὰ Καρχη. δόνια τὸ πρώτον, ἔπειτα διὰ τὸν πρὸς Ἰουγούρθαν πόλεμου έκείνος γαρ 'Αδάρβαλα έκπολιορκήσας έν Ίτύκη καὶ ἀνελών, φίλον ὄντα Ῥωμαίων, ένέπλησε την χώραν πολέμου είτ' άλλοι έπ' άλλοις συνέστησαν πόλεμοι, τελευταίος δε ο πρός Σκιπίωνα Καίσαρι τῶ θεῷ συστάς, ἐν ῷ καὶ Ιούβας απέθανε- συνηφανίσθησαν δε τοῖς ἡγεμόσι καὶ αἱ πόλεις, Τισιαοῦς τε καὶ Οὐάγα ² καὶ Θάλα, έτι δέ καὶ Κάψα, τὸ γαζοφυλάκιου τοῦ Ἰουγούρθα, καὶ Ζάμα καὶ Ζίγγα 3 καὶ πρὸς αἰς κατεπολέμησε Καΐσαρ Σκιπίωνα ό θεός, πρὸς 'Ρουσπίνω 4 μεν πρώτον νικών, είτα πρός Ούζίτοις, είτα πρὸς Θάψφ καὶ τῆ πλησίου λίμνη, καὶ ταῖς άλλαις πλησίον δὲ καὶ Ζέλλα καὶ 'Αχόλλα, έλειθεραι πόλεις. είλε δ' εξ εφόδου Καισαρ την Κέρκινναν ε νήσον καὶ Θέναν, πολίχνην ἐπιθαλαττιδίαν. τούτων πασών αι μέν τελέως ήφανίσθησαν, αί δ' ήμίσπαστοι κατελείφθησαν Φαράν δ' οί Σκιπίωνος Ιππείς ενέπρησαν.

Massanhius moz, Massansuhius at Massanhius other MSS. 3 Obdya, Letronne, Kramer, and Meineke, for Odava; C. Muller conj. Offiara.

Zίγχα, Xylander, for Ζάκμα.
'Poυσπίνφ, Cornin, for 'Pουσπίναν.

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in number and the Romans have dealt with them in different ways at different times, treating some as friends and others as enemics, the result being that different parts were taken away from, or presented to, different peoples, but not in the same way. The country towards Maurusia not only produced more revenue but was also more powerful, whereas that towards Carthage and the Masylians was both more flourishing and better built un. although it had been put in a bad plight, first, on account of the Carthaginian Wars, and then on account of the war against Jugurtha; for he took by siege Adarbal, a friend of the Romans, at Ityce 1 and slew him, and thus filled all Libya with war; and then wars on wars broke out, and, last of all, the war that broke out between the deified Caesar and Scipio, in which even Juba was killed; and with the leaders the cities were wiped out too, I mean Tisiaus, Vaga, and Thala, as also Capsa, the treasure-hold of Jugurtha, and Zama, and Zincha, and those cities near which the deified Caesar defeated Scipio, first winning a victory over him near Ruspinum, and then near Uzita, and then near Thapsus and the lake near by, and the other cities. And near by also are Zella and Acholla, free cities. And Caesar captured at the first onset the island Cercinna, and Thena, a town on the coast. Of all these, some were utterly wined out and the others left half-destroyed; but Phara was burned by Scipio's cavalry.

1 i.e. "Utica." But Sallust (Jug. 25-26) says "Cirta."

Képenyay, Casaubon inserts.

Ο 832 13. Μετὰ δ' οῦν Τρητον ή Μασυλιέων 1 ἐστὶ καὶ ή Καρχηδονίων παραπλησία χώρα. Κίρτα τέ έστιν έν μεσογαία, το Μασανάσσου 2 και τών έξης διαδόχων βασίλειον, πόλις εὐερκεστάτη καὶ κατεσκευασμένη καλώς τοῦς πάσι, καὶ μάλιστα ύπο Μικίψα, δστις και "Ελληνας συνώκισεν έν αύτη και τοσαύτην εποίησεν, ώστ' έκπέμπειν μυρίους ίππέας, διπλασίους δὲ πεζούς. ή τε δή Κίρτα ἐνταῦθα καὶ οἱ δύο Ἱππῶνες, ὁ μὲν πλησίου Ίτύκης, ὁ δὲ ἀπωτέρω πρὸς τῷ ³ Τρητῷ μάλλον, ἄμφω βασίλεια. ή δὲ Ἰτύκη δευτέρα μετά Καρχηδόνα τῷ μεγέθει καὶ τῷ ἀξιώματι: καταλυθείσης δε Καρχηδόνος, εκείνη ήν ώς αν μητρόπολις τοις Ρωμαίοις και όρμητήριου πρός τας εν Λιβύη πράξεις. ίδρυται δ' εν τῷ αὐτῶ κόλπω τῶ Καρχηδουιακῶ, πρὸς θατέρω τῶν άκρωτηρίων τῶν ποιούντων τὸν κόλπον, ὧν τὸ μέν πρός τη Ίτύκη καλούσιν Απολλώνιον, θάτερου δ' Ερμαίαν καί είσεν εν επόψει άλλήλαις αί πόλεις. ρεί δε της Ιτύκης πλησίου ο Βαγράδας δ ποταμός. είσι δ' άπὸ Τρητοῦ μέχρι Καρχηδόνος στάδιοι δισχίλιοι πεντακόσιοι. ούτε ο τοῦθ δμολογείται δὲ το διάστημα οῦτε το μέχρι Σύρτεων.

14. Καὶ Καρχηδών δὲ ἐπὶ χερρονήσου τινὸς ίδρυται, περιγραφούσης κύκλον τριακοσίων ἐξήκοντα σταδίων ἔχοντα τεῖχος, οὐ τὸ ἐξηκονταστάδιον μῆκος αὐτὸς ὁ αὐχὴν ἐπέχει, καθῆκον 8

² Masardsson, Kramer, for Messardsson int, Masardson more, Zardsson O, Masardsson other MSS.

^{1.} Massokiew B, Massaisoklev z, Masokialer z, Massokieler other MSS.

13. Now after Tretum one comes to the land of the Masylians, and to the land of the Carthaginians, which is similar thereto. Cirta, the royal residence of Masanasses and his successors, is in the interior; it is very strongly fortified and has been beautifully built up in every way, particularly by Micipsas, who not only settled a colony of Greeks in it, but also made it so great that it could send forth ten thousand cavalry and twice as many infantry. Cirta, then, is here, and so are the two Hippos, one near Ityce and the other farther away, rather towards Tretum; and both are royal residences. Ityce was second only to Carthage in size and importance, and when Carthage was destroyed, that city served the Romans as a metropolis, and as a base of operations for their activities in Libya. is situated in the same gulf as Carthage, near one of the two promontories which form the gulf, of which the one near Ityce is called Apollonium and the other Hermaea; and the two cities are in sight of one another. Near Ityce flows the Bagradas River. The distance from Tretum to Carthage is two thousand five hundred stadia. But neither this distance nor that to the Syrtes is generally agreed upon.

14. Carthage, also, is situated on a kind of peninsula, which comprises a circuit of three hundred and sixty stadia; and this circuit has a wall; and sixty stadia of the length of this circuit are occupied by the neck itself, which extend from sea to

^{*} τφ, Corais, for τη. 4 de buer E.

Baypábas E, Mayábpas hi, Bayábpas other MSS.

oŭτe, Corais, for οὐδέ. 7 τείχος Dhi.

^{*} καθήκον, Groskurd, for καθήκων.

από θαλάττης ἐπὶ θάλατταν, ὅπου τοῖς Καρχηδονίοις ήσαν αἰ τῶν ἐλεφάντων στάσεις, καὶ τόπος
εὐρυχωρής. κατὰ μέσην δὲ τὴν πόλιν ἡ ἀκρόπολις, ἡν ἐκάλουν Βύρσαν, ὀφρύς ἰκανῶς ὀρθία,
κύκλω περιοικουμένη, κατὰ δὲ τὴν κορυφὴν
ἔχουσὰ ᾿Ασκληπιείον, ὅπερ κατὰ τὴν ἄλωσιν ἡ
γυνὴ τοῦ ᾿Ασδρούβα συνέπρησεν αὐτῆ.¹ ὑπόκεινται δὲ τῆ ἀκροπόλει οἴ τε λιμένες καὶ ὁ Κώθων,
νησίον περιφερές εὐρίπω περιεχόμενον, ἔχοντι²

νεωσοίκους έκατέρωθεν κύκλφ.

15. Κτίσμα δ έστι Διδούς ἀγαγούσης ἐκ Τύρου λαόν ο ὑτω δ' εὐτυχὴς ἡ ἀποικία τοῖς Φοίνιξιν ὑπῆρξε καὶ αὐτη καὶ ἡ μέχρι τῆς Ἡβηρίας τῆς τε ἀλλης καὶ τῆς ἔξω Στηλῶν, ὥστε τῆς Εὐρόπης ἔτι νύν τὴν ἀρίστην νέμονται Φοίνικες κατὰ τὴν ἡπειρον καὶ τὰς προσεχεῖς νήσους, τήν τε Λιβύην κατεκτήσαντο πᾶσαν, ὅσην μὴ νομαδικῶς οἰόν τ΄ ἡν οἰκεῖν. ἀφ ἡς δυνάμεος πόλιν τε ἀντίπαλον τῆ Ῥώμη κατεσκευάσαντο καὶ τρεῖς ἐπολέμησαν μεγάλους πρὸς αὐτοὺς πολέμους. γένοιτο δ' ἀν εὐδηλος ἡ δύναμις αὐτῶν ἐκ τοῦ ὑστάτου πολέμου, ἐν ῷ κατελύθησαν ὑπὸ Σκιπίωνος τοῦ Λίμιλιανοῦ, καὶ ἡ πόλις ἄρδην ἡφανίσθη, ὅτε € 833 γὰρ ἡρξαντο πολεμεῖν τοῦτον τὸν πόλεμου.

383 γάρ ήρξαντο πολεμεῖν τοῦτον τὸν πόλεμον, πόλεις μέν εἰχον τριακοσίας ἐν τῷ Λιβύη, ἀνθρώπων ὁ ἐν τῷ πόλει μυριάδας ἑβδομήκονται πολιορκούμενοι δὲ καὶ ἀναγκασθέντες τραπέσθαι πρὸς ἔνδοσιν, πανοπλιῶν μὲν ἔδοσαν μυριάδας

¹ αυτή, Corais, for αυτή.
2 Κχαντι, Corais, for έχαν τα.

δσην Ε, δσον other MSS.
 πόλεμον ΕΕ, τρόπον other MSS.

sea; and this, a spacious place, is where the Carthaginians had their elephant-stalls. Near the middle of the city was the acropolis, which they called Byrsa; it was a fairly steep height and inhabited on all sides, and at the top it had a temple of Asclepius, which, at the time of the capture of the city, the wife of Asdrubal burnt along with herself. Below the acropolis lie the harbours, as also Cothon, a circular isle surrounded by a strait, which latter has ship-houses all round on either side.²

15. Carthage was founded by Dido, who brought a host of people from Tyre. The colonisation proved to be so fortunate an enterprise for the Phoenicians, both this at Carthage and that which extended as far as Iberia-I mean the part of Iberia outside the Pillars as well as the rest of it -that even to this day the best part of continental Europe and also the adjacent islands are occupied by Phoenicians; and they also gained possession of all that part of Libya which men can live in without living a nomadic life. From this dominion they not only raised their city to be a rival of Rome, but also waged three great wars against the Romans. Their power might become clearly evident from the last war, in which they were defeated by Scipio Aemilianus and their city was utterly wiped out. For when they began to wage this war they had three hundred cities in Libya and seven hundred thousand people in their city; and when they were being besieged and were forced to resort to surrender, they gave up two hundred thousand full

[&]quot; Hide."

² i.e. both on the island and on the mainland.

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είκοσι, καταπελτικά δὲ ὄργανα τρισχίλια,¹ ώς ου πολεμηθησόμενου κριθέντος δὲ πάλιν τοῦ αναπολεμείν, έξαίφνης οπλοποιίαν συνεστήσαντο. καὶ ἐκάστης ἡμέρας ἀνεφέροντο θυρεοὶ μὲν ἐκατὸν καί τετταράκοντα πεπηγότες, μάχαιραι δέ τριακόσιαι και λόγγαι πεντακόσιαι, γίλια δε βέλη καταπελτικά, τρίχα δὲ τοῦς καταπέλταις αἱ θεράπαιναι παρείχον. έτι τοίνυν ναθς έχοντες δώδεκα έξ έτων πεντήκοντα κατά τὰς ἐν τῷ δευτέρω πολέμω συνθήκας, τότε, καίπερ ήδη συμπεφευγότες είς την Βύρσαν, εν διμήνω κατεσκευάσαντο ναθς έκατον είκοσι καταφράκτους, και του στόματος τοῦ Κώθωνος φρουρουμένου, διώρυξαν άλλο στόμα, και προηλθεν αιφνιδίως ό στόλος: Όλη γάρ ην άποκειμένη παλαιά και τεχνιτών πληθος προσεδρεύον και σιταρχούμενον δημοσία. τοιαύτη δ΄ ούσα Καρχηδών όμως έάλω και κατεσκάφη. την δε χώραν, την μεν επαρχίαν απέδειξαν Ρωμαίοι, την ύπο τοις Καρχηδονίοις, της δέ Μασανάσσην άπέδειξαν κύριον καὶ τοὺς ἀπογόνους τούς περί Μικίψαν, μάλιστα γάρ έσπουδάσθη παρά τοις 'Ρωμαίοις ο Μασανάσσης δι' άρετην και φιλίαν και γάρ δη και ούτος έστιν ο τούς Νομάδας πολιτικούς κατασκευάσας καὶ γεωργούς, έτι δ' άντὶ τοῦ ληστεύειν διδάξας στρατεύειν. ίδιον γάρ τι τοις άνθρώποις συνέβη

For τρισχίλια Letronne (citing Polybius 36.4 and Appian 80) conj. δισχίλια.
 σταρκούμερεν πλ.

VII opnosperar na

¹ See critical note.

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suits of armour and three thousand 1 catapults, on the assumption that they would not be engaged in war again; but when they resolved to renew the war. they suddenly organised the manufacture of arms, and each day produced one hundred and forty finished shields, three hundred swords, five hundred spears, and one thousand missiles for the catapults; and the women-servants furnished hair for the estapults. Furthermore, although from fifty years back they had possessed only twelve ships, in accordance with the treaty made at the second war. they then, although they had already fled together for refuge into the Byrsa, built one hundred and twenty decked ships in two months; and since the mouth of Cothon was being guarded, they dug another mouth through and their ficet sallied forth unexpectedly; for old timber had been stored away in readiness, and a large number of skilled workmen. maintained at public expense, had been lying in wait for this occasion. But though Carthage was so resourceful, still it was captured and rased to the ground. As for the country, the Romans proclaimed one part of it a Province, I mean the part which had been subject to the Carthaginians, and appointed as sovereign of the other part Masanasses, as also his descendants, the house of Micipsas; 2 for Masanasses was held in very high respect among the Romans because of his valour and friendship; and indeed it was he who transformed the Nomads into citizens and farmers, and taught them to be soldiers instead of brigands. For a peculiar thing had hap-

² i.s. the three sons: Micipaas king, Golossa head of the department of war, and Mastanaba head of the department of justice (Appian, § 106).

τούτοις χώραν γάρ οἰκοῦντες εὐδαίμονα, πλην τοῦ θηρίοις πλεονάζειν, ἐάσαντες ἐκφθείρειν] ταθτα και την γην εργάζεσθαι μετά άδείας έπ' άλλήλοις ετρέποντο, την δε γην τοις θηρίοις άφείσαν. ούτω δ' αύτοις συνέβαινε πλάνητα και μετανάστην βίου ζην, μηδέν ήττον τών ύπὸ άπορίας και λυπρότητος τόπων ή άξρων είς τούτο περιισταμένων των βίων, ώστε καὶ ίδιον τοῦθ' εύρίσκεσθαι τοῦνομα τοὺς Μασαισυλίους, καλούνται γὰρ Νομάδες, ἀνάγκη δὲ τοὺς τοιούτους εύτελεις είναι τοις βίοις και το πλέον διζοφάγους ή κρεωφάγους, γάλακτι δὲ καὶ τυρῷ τρεφομένους. ήρημωμένης δ΄ οδν έπὶ πολύν χρόνον τῆς Καρχη- . δόνος, καὶ σχεδόν τι τὸν αὐτὸν χρόνον, ὅνπερ καὶ Κόρινθος, ἀνελήφθη πάλιν περὶ τοὺς αὐτούς πως χρόνους ύπὸ Καίσαρος τοῦ θεοῦ, πέμψαντος έποίκους Ρωμαίων τούς προαιρουμένους και τών στρατιωτών τινας καὶ νῦν εἴ τις άλλη καλώς ολκείται των έν Λιβύη πόλεων.

C 834 16. ² Κατὰ μέσον δὲ τὸ στόμα τοῦ Καρχηδονίου κόλπου νῆσός ἐστι Κόρσουρα. ἀντίπορθμος δ' ἐστὶν ἡ Σικελία τοῦς τόποις τούτοις ἡ κατὰ Λιλύβαιον, ὅσον ἐν διαστήματι χιλίων καὶ πεντακοσίων σταδίων τοσοῦτον γιρ φασι³ τὸ ἐκ Λιλυβαίου μέχρι Καρχηδόνος, οὺ πολὺ δὲ τῆς Κορσούρας διέχουσω οὐδὲ τῆς Σικελίας

¹ δεφθείρει» (as in 17. 1. 44), Jones, for δεφδερει».

Meineke ejeuta Κατά μέσον . . . Αλγίμουρος from the text, following conj. of Kramer.

* φασι Ε΄, φησι other MSS.

^{1 &}quot;Nomades" ("Nomads") is the Greek name corresponding to the Latin "Numidae" ("Numidians").
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pened in the case of these people, that is, although they lived in a country blest by nature, except for the fact that it abounded in wild animals, they would forbear to destroy these and thus work the land in security, and would turn against one another, abandoning the land to the wild animals. In this way it came to pass that they kept leading a wandering and migratory life, no less so than peoples who are driven by poverty and by wretched soil or climate to resort to this kind of life; so that the Masacsylians have obtained this as their special designation, for they are called Nomades.1 Such people of necessity must lead a frugal life, being more often root-eaters than meat-eaters, and using milk and cheese for food. Be that as it may, Carthage for a long time remained desolate, about the same length of time as Corinth,2 but it was restored again at about the same time as Corinth by the deified Caesar, who sent thither as colonists such Romans as preferred to go there and some soldiers: and now it is as prosperous a city as any other in Libya.

16. Opposite³ the middle of the mouth of the Carthaginian Gulf is Corsura,⁴ an island. Across the arm of the sea, opposite this region, is that part of Sicily wherein lies Lilybacum, at a distance of about one thousand five hundred stadia; for the distance from Lilybacum to Carthage is said to be as great as this. Not far distant from Corsura,

² Corinth was destroyed by L. Mummius in 146 s.c., but was restored by Julius Caesar and Augustus.

This passage, "Opposite . . . other islands," is ejected from the text by Meincke (see critical note).

^{4 &}quot;Corsura," unless it is here confused in some way with Cossura (Pantellaria), is otherwise unknown.

άλλαι τε νήσοι καὶ Αἰγίμουρος.1 διάπλους δ' έστὶν έκ Καρχηδόνος έξήκοντα σταδίων είς την προσεχή περαίαν, όθεν είς Νέφεριν ανάβασις σταδίων έκατὸν είκοσι, πόλιν ερυμυήν έπὶ πέτρας οἰκισμένην. ἐν αὐτῷ δὲ τῷ κόλπῳ, ἐν ἀπερ καὶ ἡ Καρχηδών, Τύνις ἐστὶ πόλις καὶ θερμά και λατομίαι τινές είθ' ή Ερμαία άκρα τραγεία, και έπ' αὐτή πόλις ὁμώνυμος είτα Νεάπολις: είτ' άκρα Ταφίτις, καὶ ἐπ' αὐτῆ λόφος Ασπίς καλούμενος από της ομοιότητος, όνπερ συνώκισεν ο τής Σικελίας τύραννος 'Αγαθοκλής, καθ' δυ καιρόν ἐπέπλευσε τοῦς Καρχηδονίοις. συγκατεσπάσθησαν δὲ τῆ Καρχηδονία ὑπὸ Ρωμαίων αι πόλεις αυται. άπο δε της Ταφίτιδος έν τετρακοσίοις σταδίοις νησός έστι Κόσσουρος * κατά Σελινούντα τῆς Σικελίας ποταμόν, καὶ πόλιν έχουσα ομώνυμον, έκατον καὶ πεντήκοντα σταδίων ούσα την περίμετρον, διέχουσα της Σικελίας περί έξακοσίους σταδίους έστι δέ και Μελίτη νήσος εν πεντακοσίοις σταδίοις άπο της Κοσσουρου.6 είτα Αδρύμης? πόλις, εν ή καὶ νεώρια ήν είθ' αι Ταριγείαι λεγόμεναι, νησία πολλά και πυκυά· είτα Θάψος πόλις, και μετά ταύτην νήσος πελαγία Λοπαδούσσα είτα άκρα

εδσεν MSS. - Κοσσούρας maz. ' Αδρομής Ε', 'Αδρόμις λέπ, ''Αδρομις Ε', 'Αδρόμη moz.

Alylμορος F. 2', after πόλιν, Corais omits.
adrift E, πότην other MSS. 4 Κόρσουρα πος.
4 Κορσουρα πος.

¹ Al Djamur.

Gulf. apparently the eastern side of the Carthaginian

^{*} Tunis, or Tunes, was situated to the south of Carthage and at the head of a vast marshy lagoon.

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nor yet from Sicily, are Aegimuros 1 and other islands. The voyage from Carthage across to the nearest point of the opposite mainland 2 is sixty stadia, from which the journey inland to Nepheris is one hundred and twenty stadia-a city fortified by nature and built upon a rock. But on the same gulf as that on which Carthage is situated lies a city Tynis, as also hot springs and stone-quarries; and then one comes to the rugged promontory Hermaca, and to a city on it bearing the same name; and then to Neapolis; and then to a promontory Taphitis, and to a hill on it, which, from the resemblance, is called Aspis; 4 this is the hill that Agathoeles, the tyrant of Sicily, colonised at the time when he sailed against the Carthaginians. But these cities were demolished by the Romans at the same time as Carthage. At a distance of four hundred stadia from Taphitis lies an island Cossurus, opposite the Selinus River in Sicily, and a city bearing the same name, which is one hundred and fifty stadia in circuit and is about six hundred stadia distant from Sicily; and there is also an island Melites at a distance of five hundred stadia from the island Cossurus.7 Then one comes to a city Adrymes,8 at which there was also a naval arsenal; and then to the Taricheiae, as they are called, which are numerous small islands lying close together; and then to a city Thansus; and after this to Lonadussa, an island in the open sea; and then to a promontory

[·] i.e. "Shield."

⁵ The same, apparently, as Cossura (cp. 2. 5. 19 and 6, 2, 11).

^{*} Malta. * See preceding footnote. * Also called Adrumetum.

"Αμμωνος Βαλίθωνος, πρὸς ἢ θυννοσκοπεῖον 1 είτα Θένα 2 πόλις παρὰ τὴν ἀρχὴν κειμένη τῆς μικρᾶς Σύρτεως, πολλαί δ' είσὶ καὶ ἄλλαι μεταξύ πολίχναι οὐκ ἄξιαι μνήμης, παράκειται δὲ τἢ ἀρχἢ τῆς Σύρτεως νῆσος παραμήκης, ἢ Κέρκιννα, εὐμεγέθης, ἔχουσα ὁμώνυμον πόλιν,

καὶ άλλη ελάττων Κερκιννίτις.⁴ 17. Συνεχής δ' έστιν ή μικρά Σύρτις, ην καὶ

Λωτοφαγίτιν Σύρτιν λέγουσιν. έστι δ' ο μέν κύκλος τοθ κόλπου τούτου σταδίων χιλίων έξακοσίων, τὸ δὲ πλάτος τοῦ στόματος έξακοσίων καθ' έκατέραν δὲ 5 τὴν ἄκραν τὴν ποιούσαν τὸ στόμα προσεχείς είσι τη ήπείρω νήσοι, ή τε λεχθείσα Κέρκιννα καὶ ή Μήνυγξ, πάρισοι τοίς μεγέθεσι. την δε Μήνυγγα νομίζουσιν είναι την τών Λωτοφώγων γῆν τὴν ὑφ' 'Ομήρου λεγομένην, καὶ δείκνυταί τινα σύμβολα, καὶ βωμός 'Οδυσσέως καὶ αὐτὸς ὁ καρπός· πολύ γάρ έστι τὸ δένδρον έν αὐτη τὸ καλούμενον λωτόν, έχου ήδιστον καρπόν. πλείους δ' είσιν έν αυτή πολίχναι, C 835 μία δ' ομώνυμος τῆ νήσω. καὶ ἐν αὐτῆ δὲ τῆ Σύρτει πολίχναι τινές είσι. κατά δε τον μυχόν έστι παμμέγεθες έμπόριου, ποταμου έχου έμβάλλουτα είς του κόλπου. διατείνει δε μέχρι δεύρο τὰ τῶυ άμπώτεων πάθη και των πλημμυρίδων, καθ' δυ

καιρον έπλ την θήραν τῶν ἰχθύων ἐπιπηδῶσιν οἰ πρόσχωροι κατὰ σπουδην θέοντες. 18. Μετὰ δὲ τὴν Σύρτιν Ζοθχίς ἐστι λίμνη

¹ β θυννοσκοπείον, conj. Kramer, for θυννοσκοπίαν; Ε reads

δν β θυννοσκοπία.

Θένα, Cornia, for Θαίνα.
 Κερκινύτιε F, Κερκινύτιε i.

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of Ammon Balithon, near which is a place for watching for the tunny-fish; I and then to a city Thena, which lies near the beginning of the Little Syrtis. In the interval lie numerous small towns not worth mentioning. Near the beginning of the Syrtis lies a long island, Cercinna, which is rather large and contains a city of the same name; and there is

another smaller island, Cercinnitis,

17. Continuous with these is the Little Syrtis, which is also called the Syrtis of the Lotus-eaters. The circuit of this gulf is one thousand six hundred stadia, and the breadth of the mouth six hundred; and at each of the two promontories which form its mouth are islands close to the mainland—the Cercinna above-mentioned and Meninx, which are about equal in size. Meninx is regarded as the land of the Lotus-eaters mentioned by Homer; and certain tokens of this are pointed out-both an altar of Odysseus and the fruit itself; for the tree which is called the lotus abounds in the island, and its fruit is delightful. There are several towns on Meninx, and one of them bears the same name as the island. On the coast of the Syrtis itself are several small towns. In the recess of the gulf is a very large emporium, which has a river that empties into the gulf; and the effects of the flow and ebb of the tides extend thus far, at which times the neighbouring inhabitants rush forth on the run to catch the fish.

18. After the Syrtis, one comes to Zuchis, a lake

¹ Cp. 5, 2, 6, 8.

^{* \$4,} omitted by MSS, except 4.

σταδίων τετρακοσίων στενὸν έχουσα εἴσπλουρ καὶ παρ' αὐτὴν πόλις όμώνυμος πορφυροβαφεία έχουσα καὶ ταριχείας παντοδαπάς εἰτ' άλλη λίμνη πολύ ελάττων και μετά ταύτην 'Αβρότονον πόλις καὶ άλλαι τινές, συνεχῶς δὲ Νεάπολις, θυ καὶ Λέπτιν καλούσιν- ἐντεθθεν δ' ἐστὶ δίαρμα τὸ ἐπὶ Λοκρών τῶν Ἐπιζεφυρίων τρισχίλιου έξακόσιοι στάδιοι. έξης δ' έστι ποταμός- και μετά ταθτα διατείχισμά τι, δ ἐποίησαν Καργηδόνιοι, γεφυρούντες βάραθρά 1 τινα είς την χώραν άνέχουτα· είσι δε και άλίμενοί τινες ένταυθα τόποι, της άλλης παραλίας έχούσης λιμένας. είτ' άκρα ύψηλη και ύλώδης, άρχη της μεγάλης Σύρτεως, καλουσι δὲ Κεφαλάς είς ταύτην δὲ τῆν ακραν έκ Καρχηδόνος στάδιοί είσι μικρώ πλείους τών πεντακισγιλίων.

19. 'Υπέρκειται δὲ τῆς ἀπὸ Καρχηδόνος παραλίας μέχρι Κεφαλῶν καὶ μέχρι τῆς Μασαισυλίων² ἡ τῶν Λιβοφοινίκων τῆ μέχρι τῆς τῶν Γαιτούλων² ὁρεινῆς, ἥδη Λιβυκῆς οὐσης. ἡ δ' ὑπὲρ τῶν Γαιτούλων ἐστὶν ἡ τῶν Γαραμάντων τῆ παραλ. ληλος ἐκείνῃ, ὅθεν οἱ Καρχηδόνιοι κομίζονται λίθοι. τοὺς δὲ Γαράμαντας ἀπὸ τῶν Αἰθιόπων τῶν ⁴ παρωκεανιτῶν ἀφεστάναι φασὶν ἡμερῶν ἐννέα ἡ καὶ δέκα ὁδὸν, τοῦ δὲ 'Λμμωνος καὶ πεντεκαίδεκα. μεταξὸ δὲ τῆς Γαιτούλων καὶ

¹ Adapa Dhi.

^{*} Massasvalur, Kramer, for Massassvalur F, Massassvalur other MSS.

Γαιτούλων, Xylander, for Γετσύλων.
 καί, before τῶν, Meineke omita.

GEOGRAPHY, 17. 3. 18-19

with a circuit of four hundred stadia; it has a narrow entrance, and near it is a city bearing the same name which contains dye-factories and all kinds of fish-salting establishments; and then to another lake, which is much smaller; and after this to a city Abrotonum and to several others; and contiguous to these is Neapolis, which is also called Leptis; and from here the passage across to the Epizephyrian Locrians is three thousand six hundred stadia. Next in order one comes to a river; 1 and afterwards to a kind of cross-wall which the Carthaginians built, wishing to bridge over some gorges which extend up into the interior. There are also some harbourless regions here, although the rest of the coast has harbours. Then one comes to a lofty, wooded promontory, which forms the beginning of the Great Syrtis and is called Cephalae; and the distance to this promontory from Carthage is a little more than five thousand stadia.

19. Above the coast-line which extends from Carthage to Cephalae and to the land of Masaesylians lies the land of the Libo-Phoenicians, which extends to the mountainous country of the Gaetulians, where Libya begins. The land above the Gaetulians is that of the Garamantes, which lies parallel to the former and is the land whence the Carthaginian stones are brought. The Garamantes are said to be distant from the Aethiopians who live on the ocean a nine or ten days' journey, and from Ammon fifteen. Between the Gaetulians and our seaboard there

[&]quot; Honds,"

^{*} i.e. the true Libys, as distinguished from Libe-Phoenicia.

⁴ See 17. 3. 11.

i.e. the Mediterranean scaboard.

τῆς ἡμετέρας παραλίας πολλὰ μέν πεδία, πολλὰ δὲ ὅρη καὶ λίμναι μεγάλαι καὶ ποταμοί, ὧν τινες καὶ καταδύντες ὑπο γῆς ἀφανεῖς γίνονται. λιτοὶ δὲ σφόδρα τοῖς βίοις εἰσὶ καὶ τῷ κόσμῳ, πολυγύναικες δὲ καὶ πολύπαιδες, τάλλα δὲ ἐμφορεῖς τοῦς νομάσι τῶν ᾿Αράβων καὶ ἵπποι δὲ καὶ βόες μακροτραχηλότεροι ¹ τῶν παρ ἀλλοις. ἱπποφόρβια δ᾽ ἐστὶν ἐσπουδασμένα διαφερόντως τοῖς βασιλεύσιι, ὥστε καὶ ἀριθμὸν ἐξετάζεσθαι πώλων κατ ἔτος εἰς μυριάδας δέκα. τὰ δὲ πρώβατα γάλακτι καὶ κρέασιν ἐκτρέφεται, καὶ μάλιστα πρὸς τοῦς Λίθιοψι. τοιαύτα μὲν τὰ ἐν τῆ μεσογαία.

20. Ἡ δὲ μεγάλη Σύρτις τὸν μὲν κύκλον ὅχει σταδίων τρισχιλίων εννακοσίων τριάκοντά που, τὴν δ' ἐπὶ τὸν μυχὸν διάμετρον χιλίων πεντακοσίων, τοσοῦτον δέ που καὶ τὸ τοῦ στόματος πλάτος. ἡ χαλεπότης δὲ καὶ ταύτης τῆς Σύστενς καὶ σοῦς καὶ τοῦς τὸς Σύστενς καὶ σοῦς καὶ τοῦς τὸς Σύστενς καὶ τοῦς καὶ τοῦς τὸς Καιτενίας καὶ τοῦς κ

(C 836 μικράς, ότι πολλαχοῦ τεναγώδης ἐστὶν ὁ βυθὸς καὶ τῆς κατὰ τὰς ἀμπώτεις καὶ τὰς πλημμυρίδας συμβαίνει τισὶν ἐμπίπτειν εἰς τὰ βράχη καὶ καθίζειν, σπάνιον δ εἰναι τὸ σωζόμενον σκάφος. διόπερ πόρραθεν τὸν παράπλουν ποιοθνται, φυλαττόμενοι, μὴ ἐμπέσοιεν εἰς τοὺς κόλπους ὑπ ἀνέμων ἀφύλακτοι ληφθέντες τὸ μέντοι παρακίνδυνον τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἀπάντων διαπειράσθαι ποιεῖ, καὶ μάλιστα τῶν παρά γῆν περίπλων εἰσπλέοντι δὴ τὴν μεγάλην Σύρτιν ἐν δεξιῷ μετὰ τὰς Κεφαλάς ἐστι λίμνη τριακοσίων που σταδίων τὸ μῆκος, ἐβδομήκοντα δὲ τὸ πλάτος, ἐκδεδοῦσα εἰς τὸν κόλπον,

μακροτράχηλοι Ε, μεκροχηλότεροι CDhz. τρισχιλίων (γγ), Kramer inserts.

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are not only many plains, but also many mountains, large lakes, and rivers, some of which sink beneath the earth and become invisible. The inhabitants are very simple in their modes of life and in their dress; but the men have many wives and many children, and in other respects are like the nomadic Arabians; and both horses and cattle have longer necks than those of other countries. Horse-breeding is followed with such exceptional interest by the kings that the number of colts every year amounts to one hundred thousand. The sheep are brought up on milk and ments, particularly in the regions near Acthiopia. Such is my account of the in-

terior.

20. The Great Syrtis has a circuit of about three thousand and nine hundred and thirty stadia, and a diameter, to the inmost recess, of one thousand five hundred stadia, and also a breadth at the mouth of about one thousand five hundred. The difficulty with both this Syrtis and the Little Syrtis is that in many places their deep waters contain shallows, and the result is, at the ebb and the flow of the tides. that sailors sometimes fall into the shallows and stick there, and that the safe escape of a boat is rare. On this account sailors keep at a distance when voyaging along the coast, taking precautions not to be caught off their guard and driven by winds into these gulfs. However, the disposition of man to take risks causes him to try anything in the world, and particularly voyages along coasts. Now as one sails into the Great Syrtis, on the right, after Cephalae is passed, one comes to a lake about three hundred stadia in length and seventy in breadth, which empties into the gulf and contains both small islands

έχουσα καὶ νησία καὶ ὕφορμον πρὸ τοῦ στόματος. μετά δὲ τὴν λίμνην τόπος ἐστὶν 'Ασπὶς καὶ λιμὴν κάλλιστος των έν τη Σύρτει. συνεχής δε δ Ευφράντας πύργος έστίν, δριον της πρότερον Καρχηδονίας γής και τής Κυρηναίας τής υπό Πτολεμαίω είτ άλλος τόπος, Χάραξ καλούμενος, ώ έμπορίω έχρωντο Καρχηδόνιοι κομίζοντες αίνου, αντιφορτιζόμενοι δέ όπου και σίλφιου παρά τών έκ Κυρήνης λάθρα παρακομιζόντων είθ' οἰ Φιλαίνων βωμοί και μετά τούτους Αυτόμαλα, φρούριον φυλακήν έχου, ίδρυμένον κατά τὸν μυχὸν τοῦ κόλπου παντός. ἔστι δ' ὁ διὰ τοῦ μυχοθ τούτου παράλληλος, τοθ μέν δι' 'Αλεξανδρείας μικρώ νοτιώτερος, χιλίοις σταδίοις, του δὲ διά Καρχηδόνος ελάττοσιν ή δισχιλίοις συμπίπτοι δ' άν τη μέν καθ' Ηρώων πόλιν την έν τῷ μυχώ του 'Αραβίου κόλπου, τή δε κατά την μεσόγαιαν των Μασαισυλίων 2 και των Μαυρουσίων.3 το λειπόμενον ήδη της παραλίας έστιν είς πόλιν Βερενίκην στάδιοι χίλιοι α πεντακόσιοι. ύπέρκεινται δὲ τοῦ μήκους τοῦδε ε παρήκοντες καὶ μέχρι των Φιλαίνου βωμών οί προσαγορευόμενοι Νασαμώνες, Λιβυκόν έθνος έχει δὲ τὸ μεταξὸ διάστημα και λιμένας οὐ πολλούς ύδρεῖά τε σπάνια. ἔστι δὲ ἄκρα λεγομένη Ψευδοπενιάς,6 έφ΄ ής ή Βερενίκη την θέσιν έχει παρά λίμνην τινά Τριτωνιάδα, εν ή μάλιστα νησίον έστι καί

¹ συμπίπτοι, Jones, for πίπτοι. ² Μοσαισύλων MSS.

^{*} Swau, before ve Assronerer, Kramer ejects. xiAsse, Letronne, for dryamoxiAsse. * x2.67000, after roote, the editors omit.

Peodorellar E.

and a mooring place in front of its mouth. After the harbour one comes to a place called Aspis,1 and to the finest harbour in the Syrtis. Continuous with this is the Euphrantas Tower, the boundary between the former country of the Carthaginians and the Cyrenacan country as it was under Ptolemy;2 and then one comes to another place, called Charax, which the Carthaginians used as an emporium, taking wine thither and in exchange receiving loads of silphium-juice and silphium from merchants who brought them clandestinely from Cyrene; and then to the Altars of the Philaeni; and after these to Automala, a stronghold which has a garrison and is situated at the inmost recess of the whole gulf. The parallel of latitude through this gulf is a little more to the south than that through Alexandria. one thousand stadia, and than that through Carthage, less than two thousand stadia; but it would coincide with the parallel which passes through the Heroonpolis situated on the recess of the Arabian Gulf and through the interior of the countries of the Masnesylians and the Maurusians. The remainder of the coast from here on to the city Berenice is one thousand five hundred stadia in length. inland above this stretch of coast, and extending even as far as the Altars of the Philaeni, is the country of the Nasamones, as they are called, a Libyan tribe. In the intervening distance there are only a few harbours; and the watering-places are scarce. There is, however, a promontory called Pseudo-penias, on which Berenice is situated, near a certain lake, Tritonias, in which the principal things

¹ f.c. "Shield."

See 17. 1. 5.

ίερου τής Αφροδίτης εν αυτώ. έστι δὲ καὶ λιμήνι Έσπερίδων, καὶ ποταμός ἐμβάλλει Λάθων. ἐνδοτέρω δὲ τής Βερενίκης έστὶ τὸ μικρὸν ἀκρωτήριον λεγόμενον Βόρειον, ὁ ποιεῖ τὸ στόμα τῆς Σύρτεως πρὸς τὰς Κεφαλάς. κείται δὲ ή Βερενίκη κατὰ τὰ ἄκρα τῆς Πελοπου. νήσου, κατά τον καλούμενον Ίχθύν· καὶ ἔτι κατά την Ζάκυνθον, εν διάρματι σταδίων τρισχιλίων έξακοσίων. Εκ ταύτης της πόλεως τριακοσταίος πεζή περιώδευσε την Σύρτιν Μάρκος Κάτων, κατάγων στρατιάν πλειόνων ή μυρίων ἀνδρών, εἰς μέρη διελών των ύδρείων χάριν ώδευσε δε πεζός εν άμμφ βαθεία και καύμασι, μετά δὲ Βερενίκην πόλις ἐστὶ Ταύχειρα,² ῆν και ᾿Αρσινόην καλούσιν C 837 είθ' ή Βάρκη πρότερου, νθυ δε Πτολεμαίς είτα Φυκούς ἄκρα, ταπεινή μέν, πλεῖστου δ' ἐκκειμένη ³ πρός ἄρκτον παρὰ τὴν ἄλλην Λιβυκὴν παραλίαν· κείται δέ κατά Ταίναρου της Λακωνικής έν διάρματι δισχιλίων δκτακοσίων σταδίων έστι δέ καὶ πολίχνιον όμώνυμον τἢ ἄκρα. οὐ πολύ δὲ τοῦ Φυκούντος ἀπέχει τὸ τῶν Κυρηναίων ἐπίνειον ή 'Απολλωνία,' όσον έκατον και έβδομήκοντα σταδίοις, τής δὲ Βερενίκης χιλίοις, τής δὲ Κυρήνης όγδοήκουτα, πόλεως μεγάλης έν τραπεζοειδεί πεδίφ κειμένης, ώς έκ τοῦ πελώγους έωρῶμεν αὐτήν.

¹ For Many, Dodwell conj. Mann, and Kramer and Meineke so write (but see Kramer's note).

Ταύχειρα Β, Τάρχειρα CDEhisw, Τεύχειρα other MSS.
 δ' ἐκκειράνη, Casanbon, for δὲ κτωάνη.

^{*}Archhorin (as in § 21 following), Meineke, for 'Archhoris.

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are an isle and on it a temple of Aphrodite. In this region are also the Harbour 1 of the Hesperides and the river Lathon which empties into it. Farther inside than Berenice lies the small promontory called Boreium, which with Cephalae forms the mouth of the Syrtis. Berenicê lies opposite the promontories of the Peloponnesus, opposite Ichthys, as it is called, and also opposite Zacynthos, the distance across being three thousand six hundred stadia. Setting out from this city Marcus Cato travelled round the Syrtis by land in thirty days,4 leading an army of more than ten thousand men, having separated them into divisions on account of the scarcity of wateringplaces; and he travelled on foot in deep sand and scorching heat. After Berenice one comes to a city Taucheira, which is also called Arsinoe; and then to a city formerly called Barce, but now Ptolemais; and then to a promontory Phyeus, which is low-lying and projects farthest towards the north as compared with the rest of the Libyan coast; it lies opposite Taenarum in Laconia, the distance across being two thousand and eight hundred stadia; and there is also a small town which bears the same name as the promontory. Not far distant from Phycus is the naval station of the Cyrenneans, Apollonia, about one hundred and seventy stadia from Phycus, one thousand from Berenice, and eighty from Cyrene, a large city situated in a trapezium-shaped plain, as it looked to me from the sea.

¹ Some would emend "Harbour" to "Lake" (see critical

² f.c. inside the Syrtis, towards the south (see Map XV, and of vol.).

^{*} Cp. 10. 2. 18.

In 47 B.C., on his march to join Metellus Scipio.

 Έστι δὶ Θηραίων κτίσμα, Λακωνικής νήσου, ήν καὶ Καλλίστην ἀνόμαζον τὸ παλαίον, ὡς φησι καὶ Καλλίμαχος

Καλλίστη τὸ πάροιθε, τὸ δ' ὕστερον οὔνομα Θήρη,

μήτηρ εδίππου πατρίδος ήμετέρης.

κείται δὲ τὸ τῶν Κυρηναίων ἐπίνειον κατὰ τὸ έσπέριου τῆς Κρήτης ἄκρου, τὸ τοῦ Κριοῦ μέτωπου, ἐυ διάρματι δισχιλίωυ 1 σταδίωυ ὁ πλοθς Λευκονότω. λέγεται δὲ ή Κυρήνη κτίσμα Βάττου πρόγουου δὲ τοῦτου ξαυτοῦ φώσκει Καλλίμαχος ηύξήθη δὲ διὰ τὴν ἀρετὴν τῆς χώρας και γάρ ίπποτρόφος έστιν άρίστη και καλλίκαοπος, και πολλούς άνδρας άξιολόγους έσχε καὶ δυναμένους έλευθερίας ἀξιολόγως προίστασθαι καλ πρός τους υπερκειμένους βαρβάρους lσχυρώς αντέχειν. το μέν οθν παλαιον αυτόνομος ήν ή πόλις είτα οί την Αίγυπτον κατασχόντες Μακεδόνες αὐξηθέντες ἐπέθεντο αὐτοῦς ἀρξάντων τών περί Θίβρωνα τών άνελόντων τον "Αρπαλονβασιλευθέντες δε χρόνους τινάς είς την Ρωμαίων έξουσίαν ήλθον, και νῦν ἐστιν ἐπαρχία τῆ Κρήτη συνεζευγμένη. τῆς δὲ Κυρήνης ἐστὶ περιπόλια ή τε Απολλωνία και ή Βάρκη και ή Ταύχειρα 2 καὶ Βερενίκη καὶ τὰ ἄλλα πολίχνια τὰ πλησίον.

23. Όμορει δὲ τῆ Κυρηναία ἡ τὸ σίλφιον φέρουσα καὶ τὸν ὁπὸν τὸν Κυρηναίον, δν ἐκφέρει τὸ σίλφιον ὁπισθέν. ἐγγὸς δ' ἡλθε τοῦ ἐκλιπεῖν, ἐπελθόντων τῶν βαρβάρων κατὰ ἔχθραν τινὰ καὶ

¹ διοχιλίων (,β) Casanbon, for χιλίων (,a). * Ταύχειρα (ευ abovo αν) Ε, Τεύχειρα πιστ.

GEOGRAPHY, 17. 3. 21-22

21. Cyrené was founded by colonists from Thera, a Laconian island, which in ancient times was called Calliste, as Callimachus says: "Calliste was its first name, but its later name was Thera, mother of my fatherland, famed for its good horses." The naval station of the Cyrenaeans lies opposite the western promontory of Crete, Criumetopon, the distance across being two thousand stadia. The voyage is made with Leuconotus.1 Cyrené is said to have been founded by Battus; 2 and Callimachus asserts that Battus was his ancestor. Cyrene grew strong because of the fertility of its territory, for it is excellent for the breeding of horses and produces beautiful fruit, and it had many men who were noteworthy and who were able to defend its liberty in a noteworthy manner and to resist strongly the barbarians who lived above them. Now in ancient times the city was independent; and then the Macedonians, who had taken possession of Aegypt, grew in power and attacked the Cyrenaeans. under the leadership of Thibron and his associates, who had slain Harpalus; and having been ruled by kings for some time the city came under the power of the Romans and is now joined with Crete into one Province. But Apollonia, Barce, Taucheira, Berenice, and the other towns near by, are dependencies of Cyrenê.

22. Bordering on Cyrenaea is the country which produces silphium and the Cyrenaean juice, which latter is produced by the silphium through the extraction of its juice. But it came near giving out when the barbarians invaded the country be-

A south wind (see 1. 2. 21).

About 631 B.C.

φθειράντων 1 τὰς ρίζας τοῦ φυτοῦ. εἰσὶ δὲ νομάδες. ἄνδρες δ' ἐγένοντο γνώριμοι Κυρηναῖοι 'Αρίστιππός τε ὁ Σωκρατικύς, ὅστις καὶ τὴν Κυρηναϊκήν κατεβάλετο φιλοσοφίαν, καὶ θυγάτηρ, Αρήτη τούνομα, ήπερ διεδέξατο την σχολήν, καὶ ο ταύτην πάλιν διαδεξάμενος υίδς 'Αρίστιππος, ό κληθείς Μητροδίδακτος, καὶ 'Αννίκερις, ὁ δοκών έπανορθώσαι την Κυρηναϊκήν αίρεσιν και παραγαγείν άντ' αυτής την Αννικερίαν. Κυρηναίος δ' Ο 838 έστι και Καλλίμαχος και Έρατοσθένης, άμφότεροι τετιμημένοι παρά τοῖς Αίγυπτίων βασιλεθσιν, ό μέν ποιητής άμα καὶ περὶ γραμματικήν ἐσπουδακώς, ό δε και ταθτα και περί φιλοσοφίαν και τὰ μαθήματα, εἴ τις ἄλλος, διαφέρων. άλλὰ μὴν καὶ Καρνεάδης (ούτος δὲ τῶν ἐξ 'Ακαδημίας άριστος φιλοσόφων όμολογείται) καὶ ὁ Κρόνος δε Απολλώνιος έκειθέν έστιν, ο του διαλεκτικου Διοδώρου διδάσκαλος, τοῦ καὶ αὐτοῦ Κρόνου προσαγορευθέντος, μετενεγκάντων τινών το τοθ διδασκάλου ἐπίθετον ἐπὶ τὸν μαθητήν, μετὰ δὲ την 'Απολλωνίαν έστιν ή λοιπή τών Κυρηναίων παραλία μέχρι Καταβαθμοῦ σταδίων δισχιλίων διακοσίων, ου πάνυ ευπαράπλους και γαρ λιμένες όλίγοι καὶ ὕφορμοι καὶ κατοικίαι καὶ ύδρεία. τῶν δὲ μάλιστα ὀνομαζομένων κατὰ τὸν παράπλουν τόπων τό τε Ναύσταθμόν έστι καὶ τὸ Ζεφύριον πρόσορμον έχον καὶ ἄλλο Ζεφύριον καὶ ἄκρα Χερρόνησος λιμένα έχουσα κείται δὲ

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cause of some grudge and destroyed the roots of the plant. The inhabitants are nomads. The Cyrenaeans who became famous were Aristippus the Speratic philosopher, who also laid the foundations of the Cyrena'c philosophy; and his daughter, Arete by name, who succeeded him as head of the school; and again her son Aristippus, Arete's successor, who was called Metrodidactus; 1 and Anniceris, who is reputed to have revised the doctrines of the Cyrenaic sect and to have introduced in place of it those of the Annicerian sect. Callimachus, also, was a Cyrenaean, and Eratosthenes, both of whom were held in honour by the Acgyptian kings, the former being a poet and at the same time a zealous student of letters, and the latter being superior, not only in these respects, but also in philosophy, and in mathematics, if ever a man was. Furthermore, Carneades, who by common agreement was the best of the Academic philosophers, and also Apollonius Cronus, were from Cyrene, the latter being the teacher of Diodorus the Dialectician, who also was given the appellation "Cronus," certain persons having transferred the epithet of the teacher to the pupil. After Apollonia one comes to the remainder of the coast of the Cyrenacans, which extends as far as Catabathmus, a distance of two thousand two hundred stadia; the coasting-voyage is not at all easy, for there are but few harbours, mooring-places, settlements, and watering-places. Among the places along the coast that are best known are Naustathmus and Zephyrium, which has anchorage, and a second Zephyrium, and a promontory Cherronesus, which has a harbour, This

κατά Κύκλου 1 τῆς Κρήτης ἐν διάρματι χιλίων καὶ πεντακοσίων σταδίων νότω: εἰτα Ἡράκλειόν τι ίερον καὶ ύπερ αὐτοῦ κώμη Παλίουρος εἶτα λιμήν Μενέλαος και 'Αρδανίς,2 άκρα ταπεινή υφορμου έχουσα' είτα μέγας λιμήν, καθ' δν ή έν τη Κρήτη Χερρόνησος Τόρυται, δισχιλίων του σταδίων δίαρμα άπολείπουσα μεταξύ όλη γάρ σχεδόν τι τή παραλία ταύτη αντίκειται παράλληλος ή Κρήτη στενή καὶ μακρά. μετὰ δὲ τὸν μέγαν λιμένα άλλος λιμήν Πλύνος, και ύπερ αὐτόν Τετραπυργία. 4 καλείται δε ο τόπος Κατάβαθμος. μέχρι δεθρο ή Κυρηναία. το δε λοιπον ήδη μέχρι Παραιτονίου, κάκειθεν είς 'Αλεξάνδρειαν, εξρηται ήμεν εν τοις Αλγυπτιακοίς.

23. Την δ΄ ύπερκειμένην εν βάθει χώραν τῆς Σύρτεως και της Κυρηναίας κατέχουσιν οί Λίβυες, παράλυπρου καὶ αὐχμηρών· πρώτοι μὲν οἱ Νασαμώνες, έπειτα Ψύλλοι καί τινες Γαίτουλοι,5 έπειτα Γαράμαντες· πρὸς ἔω δ' έτι μᾶλλον οί Μαρμαρίδαι, προσχωρούντες ἐπὶ πλέον τῆ Κυρηναία και παρατείνοντες μέχρι "Αμμωνος. τεταρταίους μέν οὖν φασιν ἀπὸ τοῦ μυχοῦ τῆς μεγάλης Σύρτεως τοθ κατ' Αυτόμαλά πως ' βαδίζοντας ώς

¹ For Konlor, Cornin (citing S. 5. 1) writes Kapucer; but Kramer rightly objects, proposing Maraker instead.

Apparis, Meineke, following Kramer, for 'Apanthis.

a disgular, Letronne and most later editors, for this. YAlar.

The words radefras . . . Kuppeals are rightly transposed from a position after Alegaropeiar by Kramer, who also omits & sed before elegras. Ferandor MSS.

Mappapitas E, Mappapiras other MSS.

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promontory lies opposite Cyclus 1 in Crete; and the distance across is one thousand five hundred stadia if one has a south-west wind; and then one comes to a kind of temple of Heracles, and, above it, to a village called Paliurus; and then one comes to a harbour, Menelaüs, and to Ardanis, which is a lowlying promontory with a mooring-place; and then to a large harbour, opposite which lies the Cherronesus in Crete, the interval between the two places being about two 2 thousand stadia; indeed, I might almost say that Crete as a whole, being narrow and long, lies opposite, and parallel, to this coast. After the large harbour one comes to another harbour, which is called Plynus, and above it lies Tetrapyrgia; 3 but the place is called Catabathmus; and Cyrenaea extends thus far. The remaining part of the coast, extending to Paraetonium and thence to Alexandria, I have already mentioned in my account of Egypt.

23. The country lying deep in the interior above the Syrtis and Cyrenaea, a barren and arid region, is occupied by the Libyans: first by the Nasamones, and then by the Psyllians and certain Gactulians, and then by the Garamantes, and, still more towards the east, by the Marmaridae, who border to a greater extent on Cyrenaea and extend as far as Ammon. Now it is said that persons going on foot from the recess of the Great Syrtis, from about the neighbourhood of Automala, approximately in the

^{1 &}quot;Cyclus" is doubtful (see critical note).

² The MSS. read "three" (see critical note).

i.c. "Four Towers."

⁷ τοῦ κατ' Αὐτόμαλά πως, Kramer, for τοὺς κατ' αὐτό μαλακῶς.

έπὶ χειμερινὰς ἀνατολὰς εἰς Αὕγιλα ¹ ἀφικνεῖσθαι. έστι δε ό τόπος ούτος εμφερής τῷ "Αμμωνι, φοινικοτρόφος τε καὶ εὔυδρος ὑπέρκειται δὲ τῆς Κυρηναίας 2 πρός μεσημβρίαν μέχρι μέν σταδίων έκατον και δενδροφόρος έστιν ή γη μέχρι δ' άλλων έκατον σπείρεται μόνον, ούκ ορυζοτροφεί? δ΄ ή γη διὰ τὸν αὐχμόν. ὑπὲρ δὲ τούτων ἡ τὸ σίλφιου φέρουσά ε έστιν είθ ή αρίκητος καὶ ή C 839 των Γαραμάντων. έστι δ' ή τὸ σίλφιον φέρουσα στενή και παραμήκης και παράξηρος, μήκος μέν ώς έπε τὰς ἀνατολὰς εόντι ὅσον σταδίων χιλίων, πλάτος δε τριακοσίων ή μικρῷ πλειόνων τό γε γνώριμον είκάζειν μεν γάρ απασαν πάρεστι διηνεκώς την έπλ τοῦ αὐτοῦ παραλλήλου κειμένην τοιαύτην είναι κατά τε τους άξρας και την τοῦ φυτοῦ φοράν, ἐπεὶ δ' ἐμπίπτουσιν ἐρημίαι πλείους, ου 5 τους πάντας τόπους ίσμεν. παραπλησίως δ' άγνοεῦται καὶ τὰ ὑπὲρ τοῦ "Αμμωνος καὶ τῶν αυάσεων μέχρι της Αίθιοπίας. ουδ' άν έχοιμεν λόγειν τους όρους ούτε της Αίθιοπίας ούτε της Λιβύης, άλλ' οὐδὲ τῆς πρὸς Λίγύπτω τρανώς, μή τι γε της πρός τῷ ἀκεανῷ. Τὰ μὰν οὖν μέρη τῆς καθ' ἡμᾶς οἰκουμένης ⁶

ούτω διάκειται έπεὶ δ' οι 'Ρωμαίοι την άριστην 1 els Abyika, Kramer inserta.

vilr, after Kuppralas, Groskurd ejects.

a E reads ob picerasoci, other MSS. descriptor, before which Corais and the later editors insert our.

[·] pipoura, omitted by all MSS, except i. 6 ob, Hopper inserts,

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direction of winter sunrise, 1 arrive at Augila on the fourth day. This region resembles Ammon, being productive of palm-trees and also well supplied with water. It lies above Cyrenaea to the south, and for a distance of one hundred stadia produces trees. but for another hundred the land is only sown, although, on account of its aridity, the land does not grow rice.2 Above this region is the country which produces silphium; and then one comes to the uninhabited country and to that of the Garamantes. The country which produces silphium is narrow. long, and somewhat arid, extending in length, as one goes approximately towards the east, about one thousand stadia, and in breadth three hundred or a little more, at least that part which is known; for we may conjecture that all lands lying in unbroken succession on the same parallel of latitude are similar as regards both climate and plants, but since several deserts intervene, we do not know all these regions. Similarly, the regions above Ammon and the oases as far as Aethiopia are likewise unknown. Neither can we tell the boundaries either Aethiopia or of Libya, nor yet accurately even those of the country next to Aegypt, much less of that which borders on the Ocean.

24. This, then, is the lay of the different parts of our inhabited world; but since the Romans occupy

Sec Vol. I, p. 105.

² One major MS. reads "roots" instead of "rice" (see critical note).

⁶ Τὰ μὲν οὖν μέρη τῆς καθ' ἡμᾶς οἰκουμένης (as in 2. 5. 34), Kramer, for τὰ μὲν οὖν μέρη τῆς οἰκουμένης (Dhz adding τά before μέρη).

αὐτής καὶ γνωριμωτάτην κατέχουσιν, ἄπαντας ύπερβεβλημένοι τους πρότερον ήγεμόνας, ών μυήμην ίσμεν, άξιου καὶ διά βραχέων καὶ τὰ τούτων είπειν. ότι μέν ουν έκ μιάς όρμηθέντες πόλεως της 'Ρώμης απασαν την Ίταλίαν έσχον διά το πολεμείν και πολιτικώς άρχειν, εξρηται, και διότι μετά την Ιταλίαν τα κύκλω προσεκτή-σαντο, τη αυτή άρετη χρώμενοι. τριών δὲ ήπείρων οὐσῶν, τὴν μεν Εὐρώπην σχεδόν τι πασαν έχουσι, πλην της 1 έξω του Ιστρου και τών μεταξύ τοῦ 'Ρήνου καὶ τοῦ Τανάιδος παρωκεανιτών της δε Λιβύης ή καθ' ήμας παραλία πάσα ὑπ' αὐτοῖς ἐστιν, ἡ δὲ ἄλλη ἀοίκητός ἐστιν ή λυπρώς και νομαδικώς οίκειται όμοίως δέ και της 'Ασίας ή καθ' ήμας παραλία πασα ύποχείριος έστιν, εί μή τις τα των Αχαιών και Ζυγών και Ηνιόχων έν λόγω τίθεται, ληστρικώς και νομαδικώς ζώντων έν στενοίς και λυπροίς χωρίοις. της δε μεσογαίας και της εν βάθει την μεν έχουσιν αυτοί, την δε Παρθυαίοι και οία ύπερ τούτων βάρβαροι, πρός τε ταις άνατολαις και ταίς άρκτοις Ινδοί και Βάκτριοι και Σκύθαι, elt "Apaßes kal Albiones mpostiberas de del τι παρ' έκείνων αὐτοῖς. ταύτης δὲ τῆς συμπάσης χώρας της ύπο 'Ρωμαίοις ή μεν βασιλεύεται, ήν 3 δ έχουσιν αυτοί καλέσαντες έπαρχίαν, και πέμπουσιν ήγεμόνας και φορολόγους. είσι δέ τινες

¹ τών E. ² of, omitted by all MSS, except E. ² δν, Corais, for δ.

^{1 6. 4. 2.} Don.

³ Danube. ⁵ See 11, 2, 12.

Bhine.

f.e. on the south.

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the best and the best known portions of it, having surpassed all former rulers of whom we have record. it is worth while, even though briefly, to add the following account of them. Now I have already stated 1 that, setting out with only one city, Rome, the Romans acquired the whole of Italy through warfare and statesmanlike rulership, and that, after Italy, by exercising the same superior qualities, they also acquired the regions round about Italy. And of the continents, being three in number, they hold almost the whole of Europe, except that part of it which lies outside the Ister 2 River and the parts along the ocean which lie between the Rhenus 3 and the Tanais 4 Rivers. Of Libya, the whole of the coast on Our Sea is subject to them; and the rest of the country is uninhabited or else inhabited only in a wretched or nomadic fashion. In like manner, of Asia also, the whole of the coast on Our Sea is subject to them, unless one takes into account the regions of the Achaei and the Zygi and the Heniochi,5 who live a piratical and nomadic life in narrow and sterile districts; and of the interior and the country deep inland, one part is held by the Romans themselves and another by the Parthians and the barbarians beyond them; and on the cast and north live Indians and Bactrians and Scythians, and then 6 Arabians and Aethiopians; but some further portion is constantly being taken from these peoples and added to the possessions of the Romans. Of this whole country that is subject to the Romans, some parts are indeed ruled by kings, but the Romans retain others themselves, calling them Provinces, and send to them praefects and collectors of tribute. But there are also some free cities.

καὶ ἐλεύθεραι πόλεις, αἰ μὲν ἐξ ἀρχῆς κατὰ φιλίαν προσελθούσαι, τὰς δ' ἡλευθέρωσαν αὐτοὶ κατὰ τιμήν. εἰσὶ δὲ καὶ δυνάσται τινὲς καὶ φύλαρχοι καὶ ἰερεῖς ὑπ' αὐτοῖς. οὐτοι μὲν δὴ ζῶσι κατά

τινας πατρίους νόμους.

Ο 840 25. Αί δ' ἐπαρχίαι διήρηνται ἄλλοτε μὲν ἄλλως, έν δε τώ παρόντι, ώς Καίσαρ ό Σεβαστός διέταξεν επειδή γαρ ή πατρίς επέτρεψεν αυτώ την προστασίαν της ήγεμονίας καὶ πολέμου καὶ είρήνης κατέστη κύριος διά βίου, δίχα διείλε πάσαν την χώραν και την μέν ἀπέδειξεν έαυτω, την δε τω δήμω εαυτώ μεν, όση στρατιωτικής φρουράς έχει χρείαν (αύτη δ' έστιν ή βάρβαρος καὶ πλησιόχωρος τοῦς μήπω κεχειρωμένοις έθνεσιν ή λυπρά και δυσγεώργητος, ώσθ' ύπὸ άπορίας των άλλων, ερυμάτων δ' εὐπορίας ἀφηνιάζειν καὶ άπειθείν), τῷ δήμω δὲ τὴν ἄλλην, ὅση 1 εἰρηνικὴ και χωρίς όπλων άρχεσθαι ραδία έκατέραν δέ την μερίδα els έπαρχίας διένειμε πλείους, ών αί μεν καλούνται Καίσαρος, αί δέ του δήμου. καὶ είς μέν τὰς Καίσαρος ήγεμόνας 2 καὶ διοικητὰς Καΐσαρ πέμπει, διαιρών άλλοτε άλλως τὰς χώρας και πρός τούς καιρούς πολιτευόμενος, είς δε τάς δημοσίας ο δήμος στρατηγούς ή ύπάτους. καὶ αύται δ' είς μερισμούς άγονται διαφόρους, έπειδαν

¹ δση Ε, Ισην ψν other MSS.
² ψγεμόνας, Casaubon, for ψγεμονείας Ε, ψγεμονίας other MSS.

¹ f.e. "tribal chiefs."

In Latin principatus.

During office called "propraetors."

of which some came over to the Romans at the outset as friends, whereas others were set free by the Romans themselves as a mark of honour. There are also some potentates and phylarchs 1 and priests subject to them. Now these live in ac-

cordance with certain ancestral laws.

25. But the Provinces have been divided in different ways at different times, though at the present time they are as Augustus Caesar arranged them; for when his native land committed to him the foremost place 2 of authority and he became established as lord for life of war and peace, he divided the whole of his empire into two parts, and assigned one portion to himself and the other to the Roman people; to himself, all parts that had need of a military guard (that is, the part that was barbarian and in the neighbourhood of tribes not yet subdued, or lands that were sterile and difficult to bring under cultivation, so that, being unprovided with everything else, but well provided strongholds, they would try to throw off the bridle and refuse obedience), and to the Roman people all the rest, in so far as it was peaceable and easy to rule without arms; and he divided each of the two portions into several Provinces, of which some are called "Provinces of Caesar" and the others "Provinces of the People." And to the "Provinces of Caesar" Caesar sends legati3 and procurators, dividing the countries in different ways at different times and administering them as the occasion requires, whereas to the "Provinces of the People" the people send practors or proconsuls, and these Provinces also are brought under different divisions whenever expediency requires. But at the outset

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κελεύη τὸ συμφέρου. ἀλλ' ἐν ἀρχαῖς γε ὶ διέθηκε ποιήσας ύπατικάς μεν δύο, Λιβύην τε, όση ύπο Ρωμαίοις έξω της ύπο Ἰούβα μέν πρότερου, νθν δὲ Πτολεμαίω τῶ ἐκείνου παιδί, καὶ 'Ασίαν τὴν έντὸς "Αλυος και τοῦ Ταύρου πλην Γαλατών και τῶν ὑπὸ ᾿Αμύντα γενομένων ἐθνῶν, ἔτι δὲ Βιθυνίας καὶ τῆς Προποντίδος. δέκα δὲ στρατηγικάς,2 κατὰ μέν την Ευρώπην και τὰς πρὸς αὐτή νήσους τήν τε έκτος 'Ιβηρίαν λεγομένην, όση περί τον Βαίτιν ποταμόν και του "Αναν" και της Κελτικής την Ναρβωνίτιν, τρίτην δὲ Σαρδώ μετὰ Κύρνου, καὶ Σικελίαν τετάρτην, πέμπτην δὲ καὶ ἔκτην τῆς Ίλλυρίδος την πρός τῆ Ἡπείρω καὶ Μακεδονίαν, έβδόμην δ' 'Αχαΐαν μέχρι Θετταλίας και Αλτωλών και Ακαρνάνων καί τινων Ήπειρωτικών έθνων, δσα τῆ Μακεδονία προσώριστο, δγδόην δὲ Κρήτην μετά της Κυρηναίας, εννάτην δε Κύπρον, δεκάτην δε Βιθυνίαν μετά της Προποντίδος και του Πόντου τινών μερών. τὰς δὲ ἄλλας ἐπαρχίας ἔχει Καϊσαρ, ων είς ας μεν πέμπει τους επιμελησομένους υπατικούς άνδρας, είς ας δε στρατηγικούς, είς ας δε καὶ ἱππικούς. καὶ βασιλείς δὲ καὶ δυνάσται καὶ δεκαρχίαι της έκείνου μερίδος και είσι και υπηρξαν act.

" στρατηγικάς, Cornis, for στρατηγίας.

¹ γe, Cornis, for τε.

^{*} καί τὸν 'Αναν, editors before Kramer, for καὶ τὸν 'Ανακα ('Αττακα MSS.), which is suspected by later editors and ejected by Meineke.

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Caesar organised the Provinces of the People by creating, first, two consular provinces; I mean (1) Libva, in so far as it was subject to the Romans. except the part which was formerly subject to Juba and is now subject to Ptolemy his son, and (2) the part of Asia that lies this side the Halys River and the Taurus, except the countries of the Galatians and of the tribes which had been subject to Amyntas, and also of Bithynia and the Propontis; and, secondly, ten praetorial provinces, first, in Europe and the islands near it, I mean (1) Iberia Ulterior, as it is called, in the neighbourhood of the Baetis and Anas 1 Rivers, (2) Narbonitis in Celtica, (3) Sardo 2 together with Cyrnus, 3 (4) Sicily, (5 and 6) Macedonia and, in Illyria, the country next to Epeirus, (7) Achaea as far as Thessaly and Actolia and Acarnania and certain Epcirotic tribes which border on Macedonia, (8) Crete along with Cyrenaea, (9) Cypros, and (10) Bithynia along with the Propontis and certain parts of the Pontus. But the rest of the Provinces are held by Caesar; and to some of these he sends as curators men of consular rank, to others men of praetorian rank, and to others men of the rank of knights. Kings, also, and potentates and decarchies are now, and always have been, in Caesar's portion.

Sardinia, Corsica.

^{1 &}quot;Anas" is a correction for "Atax," the Atax being the present Aude in France.



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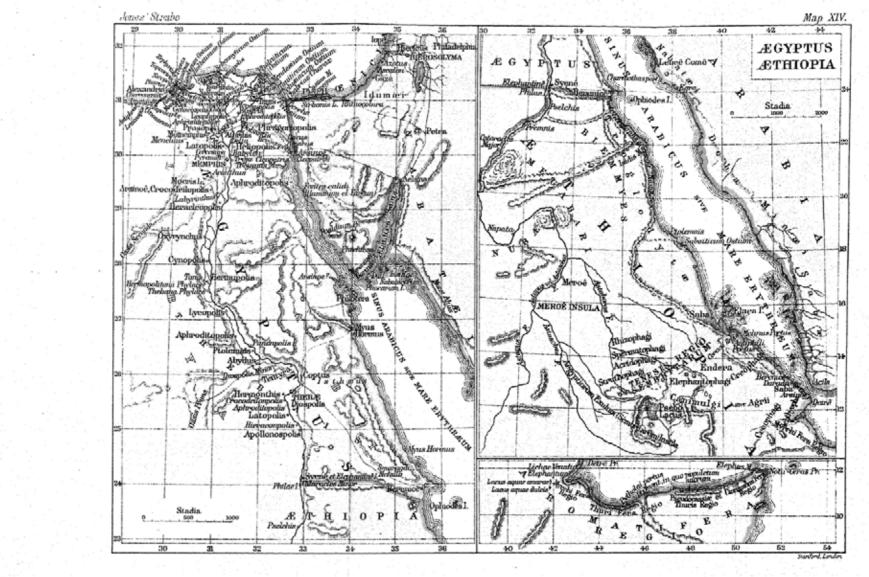
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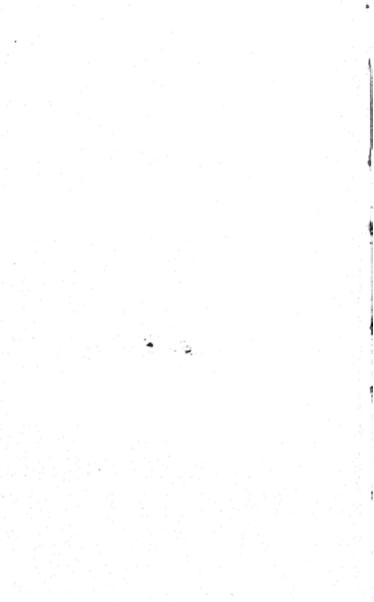








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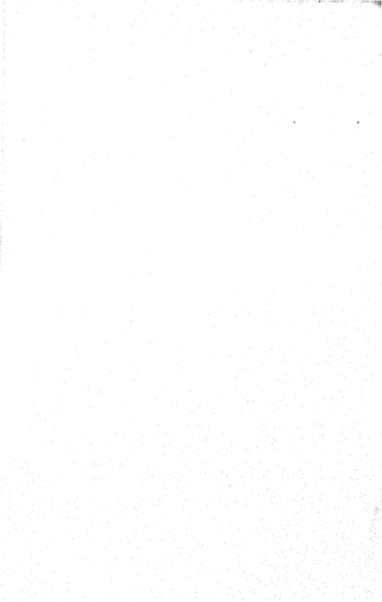
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